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No 8-6/2016 Fert Use
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare
(Fert Use Cell/INM Division)

528, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi
Dated the 14th December, 2016
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Office Memorandum

Subject: Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Twenty First Report on 'Demands for Grants (2016-17)' of the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers (Dept. of Fertilizers).

The undersigned is directed to refer to O.M. No 2.4-3/14-FA/OF (pt file) Vol-1/DBT dated 14th December 2016 on the subject mentioned above and to enclose the requisite information for your necessary action.

JP Chaudhary
(JP Chaudhary)
Assistant Commissioner (INM)

Ncls : As above

Shri P.B. Sahu
Under Secretary
Department of Fertilizers

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RECOMMENDATION NO 5

Further the Committee are of the view that the Soil Health Card is not only essential for the farmers to have appropriate knowhow on the dosage of fertilizers but would also be beneficial for Direct Transfer of Subsidy to the farmers. During the course of evidence, the Secretary Department of Fertilizers had also agreed with the observation of the Committee that unless all farmers are provided with Soil Health Cards, it is impossible to transfer subsidy directly to them. The Committee would therefore, like the Department of Fertilizers in co-ordination with the Ministry of Agriculture to make earnest efforts towards expeditious implementation of Soil Health Card Scheme and ensure that every farmer is provided with a Soil health Card having his bank details for direct transfer of subsidy to the farmer. The Committee would like to be apprised of tangible efforts in terms of concrete deliverables made in this regard.

Reply of the Government

The Government has introduced Soil Health Card (SHC) Scheme with the aim to provide Soil Health Cards to all 14 crore land holdings across the country once in a cycle of 2 years. Soil Health Cards provide farmers with recommendations on appropriate dosage of nutrients to be applied for cultivation of various crops along with soil amendments. Nationally agreed norms / standards of 10 hectares for rainfed areas and 2.5 hectare for irrigated areas will be the grid for soil sample collection. A total of around 2.53 crore samples will be collected and tested to generate 14 crore soil health cards to individual farm land holdings.

The 1st two year cycle (2015-16 to 2016-17) will end on 31st March, 2017. Efforts are being made towards expeditious implementation of SHC scheme and monitoring is being done on weekly basis through video conference with State Governments. As on 13.12.2016, against target of 2.53 crore soil samples, the States have collected 2.25 crore samples and tested 1.49 crore samples. Against target of 14 crore soil health cards, the States have distributed 4.05 crore cards to farmers.

The Aadhar number is expected to be entered along with farmer details through online portal. However, Aadhar numbers are not available for all farmers because the entry for Aadhar number is not yet mandatory under SHC portal.

Notification is being issued to make entry for Aadhaar number mandatory in SHC Portal under Section 7 of the Aadhaar Act 2016 to facilitate DBT to farmers.



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इस भाग में भिन्न पृष्ठ संख्या दी जाती है जिससे कि यह अलग संकलन के रूप में रखा जा सके।
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MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE

(Legislative Department)

New Delhi, the 26th March, 2016/Chaitra 6, 1938 (Saka)

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 25th March, 2016, and is hereby published for general information:—

THE AADHAAR (TARGETED DELIVERY OF FINANCIAL AND OTHER SUBSIDIES, BENEFITS AND SERVICES) ACT, 2016

No. 18 OF 2016

[25th March, 2016.]

An Act to provide for, as a good governance, efficient, transparent, and targeted delivery of subsidies, benefits and services, the expenditure for which is incurred from the Consolidated Fund of India, to individuals residing in India through assigning of unique identity numbers to such individuals and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

Be it enacted by Parliament in the Sixty-seventh Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

CHAPTER I

PRELIMINARY

1. (1) This Act may be called the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016.

(2) It shall extend to the whole of India except the State of Jammu and Kashmir and save as otherwise provided in this Act, it shall also apply to any offence or contravention thereunder committed outside India by any person.

(3) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint; and different dates may, be appointed for different provisions of this Act and any reference in any such provision to the commencement of this Act shall be construed as a reference to the commencement of that provision.

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Special measures for issuance of Aadhaar number to certain category of persons.

Update of certain information.

5. The Authority shall take special measures to issue Aadhaar number to women, children, senior citizens, persons with disability, unskilled and unorganised workers, nomadic tribes or to such other persons who do not have any permanent dwelling house and such other categories of individuals as may be specified by regulations.

6. The Authority may require Aadhaar number holders to update their demographic information and biometric information, from time to time, in such manner as may be specified by regulations, so as to ensure continued accuracy of their information in the Central Identities Data Repository.

CHAPTER III

AUTHENTICATION

Proof of Aadhaar number necessary for receipt of certain subsidies, benefits and services, etc.

7. The Central Government or, as the case may be, the State Government may, for the purpose of establishing identity of an individual as a condition for receipt of a subsidy, benefit or service for which the expenditure is incurred from, or the receipt therefrom forms part of, the Consolidated Fund of India, require that such individual undergo authentication, or furnish proof of possession of Aadhaar number or in the case of an individual to whom no Aadhaar number has been assigned, such individual makes an application for enrolment:

Provided that if an Aadhaar number is not assigned to an individual, the individual shall be offered alternate and viable means of identification for delivery of the subsidy, benefit or service.

Authentication of Aadhaar number.

8. (1) The Authority shall perform authentication of the Aadhaar number of an Aadhaar number holder submitted by any requesting entity, in relation to his biometric information or demographic information, subject to such conditions and on payment of such fees and in such manner as may be specified by regulations.

(2) A requesting entity shall—

(a) unless otherwise provided in this Act, obtain the consent of an individual before collecting his identity information for the purposes of authentication in such manner as may be specified by regulations; and

(b) ensure that the identity information of an individual is only used for submission to the Central Identities Data Repository for authentication.

(3) A requesting entity shall inform, in such manner as may be specified by regulations, the individual submitting his identity information for authentication, the following details with respect to authentication, namely:—

(a) the nature of information that may be shared upon authentication;

(b) the uses to which the information received during authentication may be put by the requesting entity; and

(c) alternatives to submission of identity information to the requesting entity.

(4) The Authority shall respond to an authentication query with a positive, negative or any other appropriate response sharing such identity information excluding any core biometric information.

Aadhaar number not evidence of citizenship or domicile, etc.

9. The Aadhaar number or the authentication thereof shall not, by itself, confer any right of, or be proof of, citizenship or domicile in respect of an Aadhaar number holder.

Central Identities Data Repository.

10. The Authority may engage one or more entities to establish and maintain the Central Identities Data Repository and to perform any other functions as may be specified by regulations.

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Department of Fertilizers

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 14th December, 2016

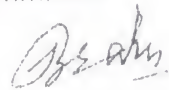
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2. The Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare is requested to kindly furnish the efforts taken in implementation of Soil Health Card Scheme and issue of SHCs to farmers having bank details of the farmers in it alongwith the present status of the Scheme to enable this Department to furnish the position to the Committee.

3. This may please be treated as urgent.


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2nd December, 2016

The Secretary
Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi

Subject: DBT – Soil Health Card Regarding

Sir,

This has reference to letter No.1-4/2012-INM(Part) dated 24th November, 2016 from Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare enclosing therewith Communication from Cabinet Secretariat ID No.511/2/2/2015-CA dated 15th November, 2016 on DBT - Soil Health Card data sharing for Department of Fertilizers.

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In this regard we would like to submit that DBT application of Department of Fertilizers has been developed with the principle of capturing Aadhaar number and beneficiary details through eKYC at the time of sale of fertilizer by retailer using POS device. Whereas in case of Soil Health Card (SHC) the Aadhaar number is expected to be entered along with farmer details through an online portal. On the basis of soil sample test results entry the system provides for Fertilizer recommendations.

Department of Fertilizers desires that the link may be established using **Aadhaar number as a common key**, to get the fertilizer recommendations information for a particular land record and farmer, so that the sale of fertilizer could be linked with the quantities recommended under the Soil Health Card portal. As both the servers, namely, SHC and DBT for farmers are under NIC cloud, the **data can be shared between servers** and that would help to increase the speed of DBT sales at the retail point.

We would also like to inform that at present for 16 priority districts of DBT identified by Department of Fertilizers, the Aadhaar numbers are available **only for 20,002 farmers out of 10,68,190 samples entered**. This is mainly because the entry for Aadhaar number **is not mandatory** under SHC portal.

Yours faithfully,

R Nagpal
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(Ranjna Nagpal)
Deputy Director General

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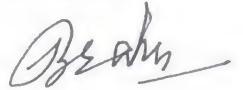
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Please take file (No.1-4/2012-144 (Pt.) - FRS No 24093) from
SO (144). Take relevant extracts and we may open a
14/12 file in our cell. Also discuss.

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RECOMMENDATION NO.5

The Committee are perturbed to note the delay in implementation of Direct Benefits Transfer Scheme (DBT) which was conceptualized in February, 2011 on the recommendation of Task Force constituted by Ministry of Finance to recommend implementable solution for direct transfer of subsidies on kerosene, LPG and fertilizers. Task Force submitted its final report on 7th August, 2013 which suggested 4 phased approach for direct disbursement of fertiliser subsidy to the intended beneficiaries. The implementation of Phase-I has already been made operational from 1st November 2011. It is being rolled out through all the registered fertilizers manufacturers (116), wholesalers (16577) and retailers (157274) across the country. Accordingly, a portion of the subsidy (5-15% depending on the grade of fertilizer) is given to manufacturers only when the retailer will acknowledge the receipt in the Mobile Fertilizer Management system (mFMS). Retailer acknowledgement has been ensured by the Department by linking a portion of manufacturer's subsidy to retailer's acknowledgement. Phase II of mFMS envisages capturing sale made by the retailer to the buyer or end-user. This involves capturing sales details as well as buyers' details. The Department is examining the feasibility of doing Proof of Concept for Phase-II. As regards implementation of subsequent Phases, Phase III & IV the Department intimated that there are many operational and implementation challenges such as identification of beneficiaries and determination of entitlement etc. Department of Fertilizer is exploring various options for handling these operational issues. While not satisfied with the performance of the Department in implementation of DBT Scheme, the Committee recommend that all-out effort be made for the implementation of DBT Scheme at the earliest. The Committee are of the strong view that transfer of the benefits of direct subsidy to the farmers would check the corruption, close the loopholes and profligacy in subsidies.

Further, the Committee are of the view that the Soil Health Card is not only essential for the farmers to have the appropriate knowhow on the dosage of fertilizers but would also be beneficial for Direct Transfer of Subsidy to the farmers. During the course of evidence, the Secretary Department of Fertilizers had also

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Reply of the Government

Phase -I of mFMS i.e. Information initially till the retailer point has been got stabilized. As per Hon'ble Finance Minister's Budget Speech (2016-17), the Department is planning to conduct a pilot in few districts across the country during October, 2016 - September, 2017 to capture sale details and buyer's details. (Bank Account details, Aadhar No., land records etc.) Apart from the retailer sales, other major outcome of Phase-II of mFMS would be the availability of a robust database of buyers /Farmers which might be leveraged for DBT subsequently.

The Department would also explore the expediency of various identification instruments such as Kisan Credit Cards, Aadhar Cards, Voter ID Card, Bank Account etc. for authentication of buyers. However, the Pilot would initially run on "no denial mode". The outcome of pilot would also provide key success indicators for pan-country implementation of Phase-II and ultimately for DBT in Fertilizers.

Minister's Statement on the updated status

The Hon'ble Finance Minister in his budget speech for 2016-17 announced that "based on successful experience in LPG, we propose to introduce Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) on pilot basis for fertilizer in a few districts across the country, with a view to improving the quality of service delivery to the farmers."

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Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Deptt. of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
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Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-1
Dated 01st December, 2016

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject : Goods and Service Act (GST) – regarding fertilisers

The undersigned is directed to say that it has been brought to the notice of this Ministry that food grains, oilseeds, pulses would attract 5% tax under the GST regime whereas a tax rate of 18% is being proposed for the fertilizer which is an important input for agricultural production. This would lead to further increase in the price of fertilizer and would have an adverse impact on agricultural production. A copy of the note submitted to this Ministry is enclosed.

D/o Fertilizers is requested to kindly examine the matter and provide their valuable comments in the matter.

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(Rajni Taneja)

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Telefax : 23386741

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Director
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No.1-4/2012-INM(Part)
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi

Dated 24th November, 2016

To

Dr.Ranjana Nagpal
Deputy Director General
NIC Headquarters
A Block, CGO Complex
New Delhi.

Subject : DBT – Soil Health Card regarding.

Madam,

I am directed to enclose herewith Cabinet Secretariat ID No. 511/2/2/2015-CA.IV dated 15th November, 2016 along with its enclosures and remarks of JS (INM), DAC&FW thereon.

2. DOF vide their letter no.F.1-1/DBT/2016 dated 27th October, 2016 has informed that DBT system on pilot basis in 16 districts is being implemented in order to promote balanced use of fertilizers and for this purpose, the database of the Agriculture Department on NIC server was being assessed online through web service by them for generation of fertilizer use recommendation for the farmers. However, this procedure is considerably delaying the system response. DOF is of the view that the system response can be improved considerably if Soil Health Card information can be ported directly on the DBT server on daily basis. DOF has, therefore, requested Cabinet Sectt. that Deptt. of Agriculture may be directed to allow NIC to port Soil Health Card database on daily basis to be DBT server so as to increase the speed of DBT server at the retail point.

3. You are, therefore, requested to furnish your comments in the matter immediately for onward submission to Cabinet Sectt.

Yours faithfully,



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The Indian Government passed the Goods and Services Tax (GST) bill through the upper and lower houses of parliament on the 3rd and 8th of August, 2016, respectively. The GST is heralded as the biggest tax reform since independence, reforming the Indian taxation system through implementing a single tax on the supply of goods and services, replacing all the direct and indirect taxes currently implemented by the central Government and States. Overall, it is expected that the GST will have far reaching implications on businesses and production in India through changing India's tax: structure, incidence, computation, payments, compliance, credit utilization and reporting. It is expected that this tax increase economic growth rates and will broadly have beneficial impacts on the Indian economy through supporting the development of a common Indian market, reductions in logistics and transaction costs, improving compliance and broadening the tax base, and reducing the cascading effect of tax on the cost of goods and services.

The GST is likely to have large implications for India's agricultural and food sectors, especially considering that these sectors currently experience a wide array of different direct and indirect taxes levied by different actors. Finance Commission Chairman Vijay Kelkar recently estimated that the GST will be mildly inflationary for agricultural goods, increasing prices by between 0.61 percent and 1.18 percent. In general, it is expected that consumer staples will increase in price as they currently benefit from low indirect tax and will face higher taxes under the GST. Items affected by this include: food processed items, items produced by bakeries, edible oils, dairy items, and personal care items. For instance, milk products are currently subject to a 2 percent VAT rate, a GST rate of 18 percent will increase in the price of milk products directly. However, the Chairman estimates that these price increases would be beneficial for millions of farmers as they will receive higher prices for their products. Moreover, he stated that this price increase will have minimum impacts on the poor as they will continue to remain secured through the Public Distribution System (PDS). He also estimated that the GST will contribute to economic growth and support the creation of around 20 million jobs, in the agricultural and non-agricultural sectors and bring down inflation. Simultaneously, farmer associations have raised concerns that the Government may implement individual measures to control food inflation, meaning that farmers will have to pay higher prices for their inputs but not receive higher prices for their products.

The main issue in the application of GST to food is the impact it would have on those living at or below subsistence levels. For those at the bottom of the income scale, it doubtless accounts for an even higher proportion of total expenditures and incomes. Taxing food could thus have a major impact on the poor. By the same token, a complete exemption for food would significantly shrink the tax base. Food includes a variety of items, including grains and cereals, meat, fish, and poultry, milk

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and dairy products, fruits and vegetables, candy and confectionary, snacks, prepared meals for home consumption, restaurant meals, and Beverages. In India, while food is generally exempt from the CENVAT, many of the food items, including food grains and cereals, attract the state VAT at the rate of 4%. Exemption under the state VAT is restricted to unprocessed food, e.g., fresh fruits and vegetables, meat and eggs, and coarse grains. Beverages are generally taxable, with the exception of milk. The alternative of exempting food altogether (or zero rating) would not be any better as it would have an adverse impact on Revenue Neutral Rate.

In the rural sector, the predominant distribution channel for unprocessed food would be either a direct sale by the farmer to final consumers or through small distributors/retailers. Even where food is within the scope of the GST, such sales would largely remain exempt because of the small business registration threshold. Thus, prices of the agricultural items and services are expected to rise after the implementation of the GST, although the overall inflationary impact of the proposed indirect regime will be negative. Further, the output of agricultural sector is mostly exempt from tax, and inputs in agricultural sector like power and fertilizer are heavily subsidized for this sector, and will continue to be subsidized. However, in order to harmonize the provisions of APMC Act, EC Act and WDR Act in the newly rechristened e National Agricultural Market (eNAM), the implementation of GST will facilitate the rolling out of eNAM in letter and spirit by subsuming all kinds of taxes/cess and will improve market efficiency and reduce overhead costs. The ease of availing tax credit under GST regime is expected to boost and ease the interstate movement of goods as the GST has been labelled as a 'destination-based tax' meaning that goods and services will be taxed in states where they are consumed, by contrast, goods are currently taxed in states where they are produced. In effect, this means that 'producing' States are likely to experience a decrease in total tax revenues, and 'consuming' States an increase in total tax revenues, due to changes to where goods are taxed. However, it is hoped that the taxation of services by States (currently only the central government taxes services but the GST will allow States to tax services) will allow these States to mitigate the expected shortfall in tax revenues.

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Dear Sir

As discussed, the GST note is appended and attached as well..I am reproducing the mail which I sent to NITI Ayog also.

As a sequel to my earlier note which I submitted to ICAR on 18th last (Attached), I have some more points to mention after yesterday's tax slabs finalization.

I hope you have noticed that food grains, oil seeds, pulses etc, tractors also attract 5% tax where as fertilizers attract 18% tax. It is irony that the output is being taxed either at 0% or at 5% but inputs are taxed at 18% and playing to the larger gallery and forgetting the farming community. Fertilizers have become essential input into production and we scientists urge everyone including the rainfed areas also to apply sufficient quantities. In high rainfall low production systems one of the reason for low productivity is lack of sufficient fertilizer application. It is also known fact many farmers even do not get administered prices due to various reasons. I am not sure where other inputs/ machinery stand today in terms of tax.

I think the govt can afford to reduce the tax on fertilizers to 5% in the same bracket with other food items and would go well with farming community specially in those states where polls are going to held such as UP etc. Further, the use of The short fall could be made up by taxing other luxury items.

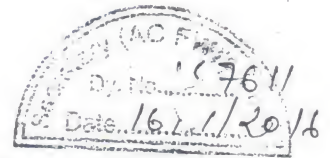
I feel while finalizing the GST slabs, the govt tried to put the items in such way in different tax slabs so that they do not lose any tax revenue. But in the process they missed the bogey to see the opportunities in revising tax rates for certain items and there by continuing the tax regime (tax rates) for items as it was in earlier congress government. But i think they can do much more which is politically beneficial also.

That would have made the difference. The concern of higher input cost with lower sale price is almost seen with this bill. I am not sure whether the present regime/ bosses at ICAR would be willing to discuss these things at this stage. One way to get over is to follow traditional channels of pre-budget consultation meetings under

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IMMEDIATE

CABINET SECRETARIAT
RASHTRAPATI BHAWAN



Subject: Direct Benefit Transfer System in fertilizer sector.

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of a D.O. letter No. F.1-1/DBT/2016 dated 27th October, 2016 received from D/o Fertilizers on the subject mentioned above.

2. It is requested to send comments in the matter to this Secretariat at the earliest.

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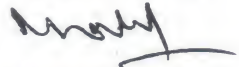
Dear Shri Giridhar,

As you are aware, the Department of Fertilizers is implementing Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) system on pilot basis in the 16 districts of the country. In order to promote balanced use of fertilizers, a new feature has been introduced, which allows recommendation on 'fertilizer use' to be shown to the farmers prior to the sale. After detailed discussion with the NIC, the database of the Agriculture Department on NIC server was being assessed online through web service for generation of fertilizer use recommendation for the farmers. However, the feedback from the pilot districts, especially Krishna and Godavari has suggested that this was considerably delaying the system response. After discussion with the technical team of NIC, it was felt that the system response can be improved considerably if Soil Health Card information can be ported directly on the DBT server on daily basis. Accordingly, a request was sent to the Joint Secretary of Department of Agriculture vide our letter dated 25th October, 2016 (**copy enclosed**) to transfer Soil Health Card information on daily basis to the DBT server. Vide their response dated 26th October, 2016 (**copy enclosed**) they have once again reiterated that this information should be assessed online, through web service only.

2. In the light of above, it is requested that the Department of Agriculture may kindly be directed to allow NIC to port Soil Health Card database on daily basis (by the end of each working day) to the DBT server so as to increase the speed of DBT server at the retail point. Since this is a high priority project, early action in this regard shall be highly appreciated.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


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NEW DELHI-110001

D.O.No.F.1-1/DBT/2016

the 25th October, 2016

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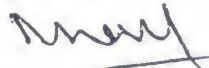
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With regards,

Yours sincerely,


(Dharam Pal)

Ms. I.Rani Kumudani,
Joint Secretary,
Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
Krishi Bhawan,
New Delhi.

Also sent by fax


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कृषि भवन, नई दिल्ली-110001
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
(Department of Agriculture, Cooperation
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Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110001

Dated the 26th October, 2016

D.O. No: 1-4/2012-INM (Pt.)

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Encl: As above

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Department of Fertilizers,
Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi.



Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture



SOIL HEALTH
CARD

Soil Health Card Number: **UT56318/2015-16/2109951**
 Date of Sample Collection: **16-12-2015**
 Survey No.: **BWR-1**
 Khasta No./ Daq No.: **-**
 Farm Size: **0.80 Hectares**
 Irrigated (Tube well): **-**
 Geo Position (GPS): Latitude 30° 1' 24" Longitude 75° 53' 302"

Name	MULKI DEVI
Village	Banrawala Grunt
Sub-District	Roorkee
District	HARIDWAR
Pin	
Aadhaar Number	
Mobile No.	
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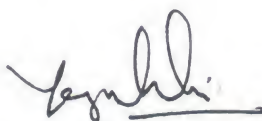
Sansad Marg, New Delhi
Dated: the 9th November, 2016

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Posting Soil Health Card data base to the DBT Server on daily basis.

Please find enclosed a copy of D.O. letter No. F.1-1/DBT/2016 dated 27th October, 2016 from the Department of Fertilizers on the captioned subject, the contents of which are self-explanatory. The Department of Agriculture is requested to send it's considered views in the matter preferably by November 16, 2016.

Encl: As Above


(Dr. Yogesh Suri)
Adviser
Telefax No. 23096610

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The Secretary,
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Dharam Pal,
Joint Secretary
(Tel: 23386800)

D.O.No.F.1-1/DBT/2016

the 27th October, 2016

Dear Shri Giridhar,

As you are aware, the Department of Fertilizers is implementing Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) system on pilot basis in the 16 districts of the country. In order to promote balanced use of fertilizers, a new feature has been introduced, which allows recommendation on 'fertilizer use' to be shown to the farmers prior to the sale. After detailed discussion with the NIC, the database of the Agriculture Department on NIC server was being assessed online through web service for generation of fertilizer use recommendation for the farmers. However, the feedback from the pilot districts, especially Krishna and Godavari has suggested that this was considerably delaying the system response. After discussion with the technical team of NIC, it was felt that the system response can be improved considerably if Soil Health Card information can be ported directly on the DBT server on daily basis. Accordingly, a request was sent to the Joint Secretary of Department of Agriculture vide our letter dated 25th October, 2016 (**copy enclosed**) to transfer Soil Health Card information on daily basis to the DBT server. Vide their response dated 26th October, 2016 (**copy enclosed**) they have once again reiterated that this information should be assessed online, through web service only.

2. In the light of above, it is requested that the Department of Agriculture may kindly be directed to allow NIC to port Soil Health Card database on daily basis (by the end of each working day) to the DBT server so as to increase the speed of DBT server at the retail point. Since this is a high priority project, early action in this regard shall be highly appreciated.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,
Sd/-
(Dharam Pal)

Shri A. Giridhar,
Joint Secretary,
Cabinet Secretariat,
New Delhi.

Copy for information to:

1. Secretary (Fert)
2. Shri Anurag Jain, Joint Secretary, PMO, New Delhi.
3. Ms. Sushma Mangla, Dy. Advisor (DBT), Niti Aayog, New Delhi

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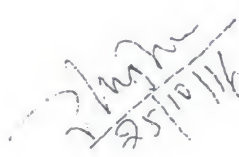
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Soil Health Card Number
UT56318/2015-
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MULKI DEVI
Farmer Name
Father Name
Validity

From: To:

Farmer's Details

Name	MULKI DEVI
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Village	Roorkee
Sub-District	HARDWAR
District	
PIN	
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Fertilizer Combination-1

Fertilizer Combination-2

Crop Variety		Referen ce Yield	Organic Fertilizer & Quantity	Bio Fertilizer & Quantity	Fertilizer Combination-1	Fertilizer Combination-2
Parameter	Fertilizer Recommendations for Resistant Yield (with Organic Manure) Through Soil	Through Spray				
1	5 @ 20-40 kg/ha (Gypsum)					
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General Recommendations						
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No.1-4/2012-Organic Farming
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(INM Division)

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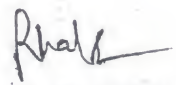
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"Finance Secretary, Secretary (Agriculture) and Secretary (Fertilizers) to examine the issue of retailers' margin. An incentive structure to promote sale through Aadhar-based identification may be designed."

2. Since the subject matter of fixing of dealer margin pertains to DOF, it is requested that the matter may kindly be looked into and necessary action taken.

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(Rajni Taneja)
Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India
Telefax : 23386741

Joint Secretary
(Shri S.K. Lohani)
Department of Fertilizer
Shastri Bhawan
New Delhi.

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Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi
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To

Secretary (Agriculture) of all States (as per list attached).

Subject : Consumption of Fertilizer during Kharif, 2016 – regarding.

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3. This may kindly be treated as **very urgent**.

Encl : as above.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(Rajni Taneja)

Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India

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- Copy to : 1. Joint Secretary(SKL), D/o Fertilizers, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
with the request to kindly provide inputs in the matter.
2. Director(Agriculture) of all states.

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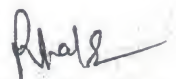
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Proforma for Gross Cropped Area and Consumption for Kharif Season

Name of the State:

1) Area

Gross Cropped Area (in Lac Hectares)		
Kharif 2014	Kharif 2015	Kharif 2016

2) Consumption of Fertilizers in '000 MTs

Name of the Product	Consumption in Kharif		
	Kharif 2014	Kharif 2015	Kharif 2016
Urea			
DAP			
MOP			
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3) Reasons for decreased in Consumption of Urea in Kharif 2016

- i) Whether due to the use of Neem Coated Urea
- ii) Any reasons (s) other than (i) above

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PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE

South Block,
New Delhi – 110 011

Please find enclosed, for necessary action, a copy of the minutes of the meeting taken by Principal Secretary to Prime Minister on 18.10.2016 in PMO, South Block, New Delhi regarding "DBT in Fertilizers".

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Tel: 2301 7676

CEO, NITI Aayog
Finance Secretary
Secretary, Department of Fertilizers
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CEO, UIDAI

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Minutes of the meeting chaired by Principal Secretary to PM on 18.10.2016 at 03.00 PM in Room No. 153, PMO on "DBT in Fertilizers".

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2. A presentation was made by Secretary, Department of Fertilizers. After detailed discussion following decisions were taken:

- (i) The mode of identification of farmer/buyer should be Aadhar based for these 16 pilot districts. CEO, UIDAI to ensure 100% coverage on priority in these districts.

(Action: DOF/UIDAI)

- (ii) Finance Secretary, Secretary (Agriculture), and Secretary (Fertilizers) to examine the issue of retailers' margin. An incentive structure to promote sale through Aadhar based identification may be designed.

(Action: MoF/ DOF/DAC&FW)

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(Action: DOF)

- (iv) Evaluation of the DBT in Fertilizers may be done concurrently.

(Action: DOF)

- (v) Department of Agriculture may examine the reasons, including impact of Neem coating of urea, responsible for reduced consumption of urea in Kharif 2016.

(Action: DACFW)

- (vi) The Committee constituted under CEO, NITI, to examine the issues raised by Department of Fertilizers regarding decanalisation of urea imports particularly relating to price discovery, regulation of quantities of imports as well as the strategy for meeting contingencies in case the modified system does not run efficiently.

(Action: NITI Aayog)

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Meeting chaired by Principal Secretary to PM
on 18.10.2016 at 03.00 PM at 153, South Block

List of Participants

1. Shri Amitabh Kant, CEO, NITI Aayog
2. Shri Ashok Lavasa, Finance Secretary
3. Shri Vijay Shankar Pandey, Secretary, Department of Fertilisers
4. Shri S.K. Pattanayak, Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
5. Shri Arvind Subramanian, Chief Economic Adviser, Department of Economic Affairs
6. Dr. A.B. Pandey, CEO, UIDAI
7. Shri S.K. Lohani, Joint Secretary, Department of Fertilisers

PMO

8. Shri P.K. Mishra, Additional Principal Secretary to PM
9. Shri Anurag Jain, Joint Secretary to PM
10. Shri Mayur Maheshwari, Deputy Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS
नई दिल्ली - ११०००१
NEW DELHI-110001

D.O.No.F.1-1/DBT/2016

the 25th October, 2016

Dear Ms. Kumudani,


As you are aware, the Government of India has launched Direct Benefit Transfer Scheme (DBT) in 16 districts in Fertilizer Sector, which is being monitored by the Niti Aayog and Prime Minister Office on periodic basis in order to promote balanced fertilization and also to educate farmers about the balanced use of fertilizers. One of the features of the DBT system is to show recommendation on fertilizer use for the farmers while selling the fertilizers.

2. In order to achieve this objective, linkages of DBT with the Soil Health Care (SHC) information is necessary. I understand that the Department of Agriculture is implementing a scheme for issuance of Soil Health Care to the farmers which is available on the NIC server.

3. I shall be grateful if you could kindly direct the NIC to transfer the Soil Health Care information to the NIC DBT server on daily basis so as to enable us to use this data base for generating a recommendation to the farmers to promote balanced fertilization. This may kindly be treated as most urgent.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


(Dharam Pal)

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25/10/16

Ms. I.Rani Kumudani,
Joint Secretary,
Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
Krishi Bhawan,
New Delhi.

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II, SECTION 3, SUB-SECTION (II)]

Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
(Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare)

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the January, 2017

S.O..... (E). Whereas the use of Aadhaar as identity document for delivery of services or benefits or subsidies simplifies the Government delivery processes, brings in good governance, transparency and efficiency, and enables beneficiaries to get their entitlements directly in a convenient and hassle-free manner and Aadhaar obviates the need for producing multiple documents to prove one's identity;

And, whereas, the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare) in the Government of India is administering Soil Health Management (SHM) Scheme and Soil Health Card (SHC) Scheme under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) **which are being implemented by the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations and offer (i) Uniform approach to collection of soil samples and testing at the laboratories, (ii) universal coverage of all the farm holdings in the country and (iii) issue of Soil Health Cards after every two years;**

And whereas the aforesaid Soil Health Management Scheme and Soil Health Card Scheme involve recurring expenditure incurred from the Consolidated Fund of India;

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the provisions of Section 7 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016)(herein after referred to the said Act), the Central Government in the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare) hereby notifies the following namely :-

1. (1) Individuals desirous of availing the services under SHC/SMC Schemes of NMSA are hereby required to furnish proof of possession of Aadhaar or undergo Aadhaar authentication.

(2) An individual desirous of availing services under SHC/SMC Schemes of NMSA who does not possess the Aadhaar number or has not yet enrolled for Aadhaar shall have to apply for Aadhaar enrolment **by 31st March, 2017** provided he/she is entitled to obtain Aadhaar under section 3 of the said Act and such individuals may visit any Aadhaar enrolment center (list available at UIDAI website www.uidai.gov.in) for Aadhaar enrolment.

(3) As per the Regulation 12 of the Aadhaar (Enrolment and Update) Regulations, 2016, implementing agencies in the State Governments or Union Territory Administrations have become or are in the process of becoming UIDAI Registrars for Aadhaar enrolment camps at convenient locations for providing enrolment facilities in consultation with UIDAI and any individual desirous of availing any of the benefits and services offered under SHC/SMC Schemes, who does not possess the Aadhaar number or has not yet enrolled for Aadhaar, may also visit such special Aadhaar enrolment camps for Aadhaar enrolment or any of the Aadhaar enrolment centres in the vicinity with existing registrars of UIDAI.

(4) In case authentication using Aadhaar or submission of proof of possession of Aadhaar is not possible, the beneficiaries shall continue to avail the services under SHC/SMC Schemes of NMSA subject to the production of following documents, namely:-

- (a) (i) if an individual has enrolled, his or her Aadhaar Enrolment slip; or
- (ii) A copy of request made for Aadhaar enrolment, as specified in sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 2; and

(b) Bank passbook with photograph; or (ii) Photo Identity Card such as voter ID card; or Driving License; or Ration card; or Kisan Photo Passbook; or PAN Card; or MGNREGS Job Card; or Passport; or Employee Photo Identity Card issued by the Government or Public Sector Undertakings; or any other Photo Identity Card issued by State Government or Union Territory Administration; or Certificate of identity with photograph issued by any Gazetted Officer in his official letter head; or any other document specified by the State Government or Union Territory Administration.

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2 (1) In order to provide efficient services to beneficiaries under SHC/SMC schemes of NMSA, the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations shall make wide publicity through Kisan Call Centres, media and individual notices through field officers about the necessity of enrolment of Aadhaar and details of facilities made for Aadhaar enrolment.

(2) In case, beneficiaries are not able to enroll due to non-availability of enrolment centers in the Blocks or Tehsils or Talukas, the implementing agencies are required to create enrolment facilities at convenient locations. The applicants/beneficiaries may be requested to register their request, preferably on the web portal, for enrolment by giving their names with other details such as address, mobile number etc.

3. This notification shall come into effect from from the date of its publication in all States and Union Territories except the State of Jammu & Kashmir.

[No.8-6/2016-Fert.Use]

(I. Rani Kumudini)
Joint Secretary

FR is a D. O. letter from Joint Secretary, DoF regarding launching of Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) Scheme in 16 Districts in Fertilizer Sector. He has requested for directing NIC for transferring the Soil Health Card information to the NIC DBT server on daily basis in order to enable their Department to use the database for generating recommendation for the farmers to promote balanced fertilization.

We may inform DoF that as informed by NIC, Soil Health Card generated everyday are hoisted on the Portal immediately. The Soil Health Card generated on Portal is available for printing & use and can be accessed freely by DoF.

Accordingly, a draft D. O. letter from JS (INM) is placed below for approval please.



(G. S. Sidhu)
Consultant (SHC)
25.10.2016

ADC (T)

JS (INM)
25/10/16

JS (INM)

Kindly see minutes of meeting on DBT pilot in DoF. There seems to be no mention of any requirement of SHC database.

The meeting at Niti Aayog[®] on 27/9/16. was attended by ADC, Vandana Duvvadi who has stated that no SHC information was requested in meeting.

Secy DAC & Fw has also attended the meeting at Niti Aayog and PMO[®] subsequently in October. No instructions have been received in this regard.

We have now received a request from JS, DoF[§] for transfer of SHC data to

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generate fertilizer recommendations.
On this connection, a draft reply is
put up for approval.

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26/10/2016

JA (INM) May issue

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AC (INM)

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Letter issued by PPS to JS (INM), OLC
is placed below.

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Letter sent
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Subject: Fwd: Issue of Section 7 notification for ICDS and other programmes

Date: 02-02-17 09:42 AM

2/2/17

To: S K Pattanayak <secy-agri@gov.in>, secy-msde@nic.in,

From: Mayur Maheshwari <mayurm@gov.in>

secy-labour@nic.in

Cc: Mayur Maheshwari <mayurm@gov.in>

Draft Notificaitons (two)_MoWCD (ICDS) (Rev in LD)... (50kB)

Status of Section 7 as on 27 Jan 2017.xlsx (19kB)

Dear Sir / Madam,

Please find attached the status of notifications issued under the section 7 /57 of the Aadhar act under the your ministry. It is requested that the desired notifications may be issued and a status note may be submitted.

Regards

Mayur Maheshwari

JS(C & C) / JS (MLDH) / JS (NRM) ✓

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JS (NRM)

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SHM + SHC under NRM SA

The legally vetted draft is yet to be received.

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Pl. open part 8-6/2016 - FY

Progress Report on Processing of Notifications under Section 7 and/or Section 57 of the Aadhaar Act 2016 by Central Ministries/Departments

As on 27-1-2017

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Sl. No.	Department/ Ministry	Status							Remarks
				Date of receipt of draft notification by UIDAI	Date of submission of revised draft to Legislative Deptt. (LD)	Time taken by UIDAI (Days)	Date of receipt of legally vetted draft by UIDAI	Time taken by LD (Days)	Date of receipt of legally vetted draft by Ministry / Department	Date of issue of Notification by Ministry / Department (\$)	
1	Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995	1	Ministry of Labour and Employment	11/11/16	12/6/16	25	12/13/16	7	12/15/16		Interaction with Ministry and legal examination took longer
2	Housing Subsidy benefit			11/28/16	12/6/16	8	12/13/16	7	12/15/16		
3	Scholarship Subsidy benefit			11/28/16	12/6/16	8	12/13/16	7	12/15/16		
4	National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS)	2	Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship	11/12/16	12/6/16	24	12/13/16	7	12/15/16		Interaction with Ministry and legal examination took longer time
5	Five identified schemes *	3	Department of Personnel & Training	11/30/16	12/6/16	6	12/13/16	7	12/15/16		
6	Scholarship to Wards of employees of Departmental			11/30/16	12/6/16	6	12/13/16	7	12/15/16		
7	Crop Insurance Schemes	4	Deptt. of Agri., Cooperation & Farmer's Welfare, Min. of Agriculture	12/1/16	12/6/16	5	12/13/16	7	12/15/16		
8	Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture			12/9/16	12/14/16	5	12/16/16	2	12/21/16		
9	National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA)			1/16/17	1/23/17	7					
10	Central Sector Scholarship Scheme for College and University Students	5	Deptt. of Higher Education, MHRD	12/6/16	12/6/16	0	12/13/16	7	12/23/16		Ministry has been requested to put notification on hold. Opinion of AG on scholarship issue has been sought.
11	National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme (NMMSS)	6	Deptt. of School Education & Literacy, MHRD	12/8/16	12/14/16	6	12/16/16	2	12/23/16		Ministry has been requested to put notification on hold. Opinion of AG on scholarship issue has been sought.
12	National Scheme of Incentive to Girls for Secondary Education			12/8/16	12/14/16	6	12/16/16	2	12/23/16		
13	Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA)			1/6/17							Opinion of Legal Counsel sought in view of the RTE Act
14	Inclusive Education of the Disabled at Secondary State (IEDSS)- A component of Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan			1/18/17							
15	Central Sector/Centrally Sponsored Scholarship Schemes	7	Deptt. of Social Justice and Empowerment, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment	12/4/16	12/6/16	2	12/13/16	7	12/15/16		Ministry has been requested to put notification on hold. Opinion of AG on scholarship issue has been sought.
16	Grants to Voluntary Organizations under various Schemes			12/4/16							Drafts returned to the Ministry on 6.1.2016 for necessary revision as per the opinion of the Legal Counsel.
17	Benefits of Schemes of NSFDC, NBCFDC and NSKFDC			12/4/16							
18	Other Central Sector/ Centrally sponsored schemes			12/4/16							

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19	Assistance to disabled persons for purchase/fitting of Aids and Appliances (ADIP)	8	Deptt. of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment	42/9/16													A2 Draft (on file) returned to the Ministry on 11.1.17 for necessary revision as per the opinion of Legal Counsel.
20	Supplementary Nutrition Programme under ICDS Scheme	8	Ministry of Women & Child Development	12/9/16	12/14/16	5	12/16/16	2	12/21/16								
21	Payment of honorarium to Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers under ICDS Scheme			12/9/16	12/14/16	5	12/16/16	2	12/21/16								
22	Supplementary Nutrition for children offered at Crèche			12/29/16	1/4/17	6	1/11/17	7	1/11/17								
23	Honorarium paid towards the Crèche Workers and Crèche			12/29/16	1/4/17	6	1/11/17	7	1/11/17								
24	Maternity Benefit Programme (erstwhile IGMSY)			1/6/17	1/18/17	12	1/25/17	7									The file containing vetted drafts was inadvertently sent by the OL Wing of LD directly to Min. of WCD on 11.1.2017. File has been retrieved by UIDAI on
25	SABLA			1/6/17	1/18/17	12	1/25/17	7									Only English versions vetted. For Hindi translation, file is being re-submitted to the OL
26	National Mission for Empowerment of Women			1/6/17	1/18/17	12	1/25/17	7									Wing of LD after incorporating suggested changes in the English drafts, as advised by LD.
27	ICDS Training Programme			1/6/17	1/18/17	12	1/25/17	7									
28	MGNREGA	9	Ministry of Rural Development	12/8/16	12/14/16	6	12/16/16	2	12/21/16								
29	Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM)			1/5/17	1/12/17	7											
30	National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP)			1/9/17	1/12/17	3	1/24/17	12									Both English and Hindi drafts vetted by Ministry of Law
31	Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana - Gramin (PMAY-G)			1/11/17	1/12/17	1	1/24/17	12									
32	Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojna (DDU-GKY)			1/13/17	1/23/17	10											
33	National Water Mission Scheme	10	Ministry of Water Resources, RD and GR	42/13/16													
34	Research & Development Programme in Water Sector			42/19/16													Drafts returned to the Ministry on 6.1.2016 for necessary revision as per the opinion of the Legal Counsel.
35	Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin)	11	Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation	1/13/17	1/18/17	5	1/24/17	6									Both English and Hindi draft vetted by Ministry of Law
36	TPDS	12	Dept of Food & Public Distribution	1/18/17	1/18/17	0	1/18/17	0	1/18/17								Revised draft on file received on 18.1.17. UIDAI got it vetted by LD (English draft) by hand due to urgency.
37	Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY)	14	Ministry of Health & family Welfare	1/11/17	1/23/17	12											

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38	e-Panchayat Mission Mode Project	15	Ministry of Panchayati Raj	1/18/17								18
39	Pension to retired Defence Forces Pensioners/Family Pensioners	16	Deptt. of Ex-Servicemen Welfare, Ministry of Defence	1/24/17								
40	National Awards Scheme for Technology Innovation in Petrochemicals & Downstream Plastics Processing Industry	17	Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers	1/24/17								
Average Number of Days						7		6				

\$ This information is not available with UIDAI.

- a. Conduct of Yoga Classes at Grih Kalyan Kendras (GKK)
- b. Annual Grant to GKK

c. Assistance to Government employees for

d. Assistance for come and play scheme

e. Coaching Academies and summer camps by

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Government of India
Ministry of Women and Child Development

Notification

New Delhi, December, 2016.

S.O. (E).—Whereas, the use of Aadhaar as identity document for delivery of services or benefits or subsidies simplifies the Government delivery processes, brings in transparency and efficiency, and enables beneficiaries to get their entitlements directly to them in a convenient and seamless manner and Aadhaar obviates the need for producing multiple documents to prove one's identity;

And, whereas, the Ministry of Women and Child Development in the Government of India is administering Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme [Anganwadi Services] as a universal self-selecting Scheme to children (0 to 6 years) and pregnant and lactating mothers which is implemented by the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations through the Anganwadi Centres spread across the country and it offers six services, namely, (i) Supplementary Nutrition (ii) Pre-School non-formal education (iii) Nutrition and Health Education (iv) Immunization (v) Health check-up; and (vi) Referral services and out of these services the Immunization, Health check-up and Referral services are related to health and are provided by National Rural Health Mission and public health infrastructure;

And whereas the aforesaid Supplementary Nutrition Program offered at Anganwadi Centres involves recurring expenditure incurred from the Consolidated Fund of India;

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the provisions of section 7 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016) (herein after referred to the said Act), the Central Government in the Ministry of Women and Child Development hereby notifies the following, namely:—

1. (1) Individuals desirous of availing the Supplementary Nutrition Program offered at the Anganwadi Centres are required to furnish proof of possession of Aadhaar number or undergo Aadhaar authentication.

(2) Any individual desirous of availing the Supplementary Nutrition Program offered at the Anganwadi Centres, who does not possess the Aadhaar number or has not yet enrolled for Aadhaar shall have to apply for Aadhaar enrolment by 31st March, 2017 provided he or she is entitled to obtain Aadhaar as per the provisions of section 3 of the said Act and such individuals may visit any Aadhaar enrolment centre (list available at UIDAI website (www.uidai.gov.in) for Aadhaar enrolment.

(3) As per regulation 12 of the Aadhaar (Enrolment and Update) Regulations, 2016, the local authorities in the State Governments or Union Territory Administrations have become or are in the process of becoming UIDAI Registrars for Aadhaar enrolment and are organising special Aadhaar enrolment camps at convenient locations for providing enrolment facilities in consultation with UIDAI and any individual desirous of availing any of the benefits and services offered at the Anganwadi Centres, who does not possess the Aadhaar number or has not yet enrolled for Aadhaar, may also visit such special Aadhaar enrolment

(vi) an undertaking by the parent or legal guardian that the child is residing with him or her and that he or she is not availing services or benefits for the child from any other Anganwadi Centre.

2. (1) In order to provide convenient and hassle free services to the beneficiaries at the Anganwadi Centres, the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations shall make wide publicity through the offices of Child Development Project Officers, Supervisors, Anganwadi Centres and local media for awareness of the ICDS beneficiaries about the necessity of enrolment for Aadhaar and details of facilities made for Aadhaar enrollment.

(2) In case the beneficiaries are not able to enroll due to non-availability of enrolment centres in the Block or Tehsil or Taluks, the Child Development Project Officers are required to create enrolment facilities at convenient location and the pregnant mothers and lactating mothers, children and their parents or guardians may be requested to register their request for enrolment by giving their names with other details, such as name, address, mobile number with the anganwadi center.

3. This notification shall come into effect from the date of its publication in all States and Union Territories except the State of Jammu and Kashmir.

[No.12/35/2015-CD-I]

(Dr. Rajesh Kumar)
Joint Secretary to the Government of India

convenient locations for providing enrolment facilities in consultation with UIDAI and the Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers, who does not possess the Aadhaar number or has not yet enrolled for Aadhaar, may also visit such special Aadhaar enrolment camps for Aadhaar enrolment or any of the Aadhaar enrolment centres in the vicinity with existing registrars of UIDAI.

(4) The Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers shall be paid honorarium only through Aadhaar seeded bank accounts with effect from 1st April, 2017. Till the time Aadhaar is assigned to the Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers or till 31st March, 2017, whichever is earlier, honorarium shall be paid to the Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers subject to the production of the following documents, namely:—

(a) (i) if he has enrolled, his Aadhaar Enrolment ID slip; or

(ii) a copy of his request made for Aadhaar enrolment, as specified in sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 2, and

(b) Any of the following documents, namely:—

Bank photo passbook; or Voter ID Card; or Ration Card; or Kishan Photo Passbook; or Passport; or Driving License; or PAN Card; or MGNREGS Job Card; or Employee Photo Identity Card issued by the Government or Public Sector Undertakings; or any other Photo Identity Card issued by State Government or Union Territory Administration; or Certificate of identity with photograph issued by any Gazetted Officer in his official letterhead; or any other document specified by the State Government or Union Territory Administration.

2. (1) In order to provide convenient and hassle free enrolment for Aadhaar, the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations shall issue necessary instructions and make such arrangements as may be necessary through the offices of Child Development Project Officer and Supervisors for awareness of the Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers about the necessity of enrolment for Aadhaar and details of facilities made for Aadhaar enrolment.

(2) In case the Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers are not able to enroll due to non-availability of enrolment centres in the Block or Tehsil or Taluks, the Child Development Project Officers are required to create enrolment facilities at convenient locations and the Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers may register their request for enrolment by giving their names with other details, such as, address, mobile number with the child development project officer.

3. This notification shall come into effect from the date of its publication in all States and Union Territories except the State of Jammu and Kashmir.

[No.12/35/2015-CD-I]

(Dr. Rajesh Kumar)
Joint Secretary to the Government of India



Fert Use <fertusecell@gmail.com>

Draft notification in r/o NMSA (Min of Agriculture)

1 message

Saroj Kr Adhikari <saroj.adhikari@uidai.net.in>
To: fertusecell@gmail.com

Thu, Feb 16, 2017 at 1:02 PM

Dear Mr. Choudhary,
As desired, please find attached the word version of the draft notification, that was revised by UIDAI and submitted to Legislative Deptt for vetting.
This is for your use in carrying out the suggested changes.

Really sorry for the delay. We din't have the email id earlier.

Many thanks.

Regards.
Saroj K Adhikari

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Saroj Kr Adhikari, Ph.D.


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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE
(Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare)

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi; the

January, 2017

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And whereas, the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare) in the Government of India is administering services under Soil Health Management Scheme (hereinafter referred to as SHM) and Soil Health Card scheme (hereinafter referred to as SHC) under the National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (hereinafter referred to as NMSA), which are being implemented by the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations and offer (i) Uniform approach to collection of soil samples and testing at the laboratories, (ii) universal coverage of all the farm holdings in the country and (iii) issue of Soil Health Cards after every two years;

And whereas, the aforesaid services under Soil Health Management Scheme and Soil Health Card Scheme involves recurring expenditure from the Consolidated Fund of India;

Now, therefore in pursuance of the provisions of the section 7 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016) (herein after referred to the said Act), the Central Government hereby notifies the following, namely: -

1. (1) An individual eligible to receive the services under SHM and SHC schemes of NMSA is hereby required to furnish proof of possession of Aadhaar number or undergo Aadhaar authentication.
- (2) All such eligible beneficiaries entitled to receive services under SHM and SHC schemes of NMSA, who does not possess the Aadhaar Number or, not yet enrolled for Aadhaar, but desirous of availing services under SHM and SHC schemes of NMSA are hereby required to make application for Aadhaar enrolment by 31st March, 2017, provided he or she is entitled to obtain Aadhaar as per Section 3 of the said Act and such individuals may visit any Aadhaar enrolment centre (list available at www.uidai.gov.in) to get enrolled for Aadhaar.

(3) As per regulation 12 of Aadhaar (Enrolment and Update) Regulations, 2016, the department implementing SHM and SHC schemes in the State Government or Union Territory Administration which requires an individual to furnish Aadhaar is required to offer Aadhaar enrolment facilities for the beneficiaries who are not yet enrolled for Aadhaar and in case there is no Aadhaar enrolment centre located in the near vicinity such as Block or Taluka or Tehsil, the department implementing SHM and SHC schemes in the State Government or Union Territory Administration may provide Aadhaar enrolment facilities at convenient locations in coordination with the existing Registrars of UIDAI or by becoming UIDAI Registrar:

Provided that, till the Aadhaar is assigned to the beneficiaries of services under SHM and SHC schemes of NMSA, services under NMSA shall be given to such individual subject to the production of the following identification documents, namely:

- (a) (i). If he or she has enrolled, his or her Aadhaar Enrolment ID slip; or
- (ii). a copy of his or her request made for Aadhaar enrolment, as specified in sub-paragraph (2) of Paragraph 2; and
- (b) (i) Voter ID card issued by the Election Commission of India; or (ii) Permanent Account Number Card issued by Income Tax Department; or (iii) Passport; or (iv) Driving License issued by Licensing authority under Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (59 of 1988); or (v) Certificate of Identity having photo issued by the Gazetted officer or Tehsildar on an official letter head; or (vi) Address card having Name and Photo issued by Department of Posts; or (vii) Bank Photo Passbook; or (viii) Kisan Photo Passbook; or (ix) Ration Card; or (x) any other document as specified by the State Government or Union Territory Administration:

Provided further that the above documents shall be checked by an officer designated by the department implementing SHM and SHC schemes in the State Government or Union Territory Administration for that purpose.

2. In order to provide convenient and hassle free services under SHM and SHC schemes of NMSA to beneficiaries, the department implementing SHM and SHC schemes in the State Government or Union Territory Administration shall make all the required arrangements including following; namely:-

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vicinity such as the Block or Taluka or Tehsil, the department implementing SHM and SHC schemes in the State Government or Union Territory Administration is required to create Aadhaar enrolment facilities at convenient locations and the beneficiaries of services under SHM and SHC schemes of NMSA may register their request for Aadhaar enrolment by giving their name, address, mobile number and other details specified in the proviso to sub-paragraph (3) of paragraph 1 with their field offices under SHM and SHC schemes of NMSA or through the web portal provided for the purpose.

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(I. Rani Kumudini)

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE
(Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare)

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi; the

January, 2017

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And whereas, the aforesaid services under Soil Health Management Scheme and Soil Health Card Scheme involves recurring expenditure from the Consolidated Fund of India;

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the provisions of the Section 7 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016) (herein after referred to the said Act), the Central Government hereby notifies the following, namely: -

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(3) As per regulation 12 of Aadhaar (Enrolment and Update) Regulations, 2016, the department implementing SHM and SHC schemes in the State Government or Union Territory Administration which requires an individual to furnish Aadhaar, is required to offer Aadhaar enrolment facilities for the beneficiaries who are not yet enrolled for Aadhaar and in case there is no Aadhaar enrolment centre located in the near vicinity such as Block or Taluka or Tehsil, the department implementing SHM and SHC schemes in the State Government or Union Territory Administration may provide Aadhaar enrolment facilities at convenient locations in coordination with the existing Registrars of UIDAI or by becoming UIDAI Registrar:

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Z-11018/34/2016-IT (Pt)
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Co-operation & Farmers Welfare

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Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi,

Date: Feb 15, 2017

Subject: **Draft Notifications under Section 7/57 of Aadhaar Act and other milestones for DBT amenable schemes of DAC&FW**

Reference: **IT division OM No. Z-11018/34/2016-IT dated 28 Dec 2016**

Wide above mentioned OM, DBT Cell had outlined following actions to be taken at Scheme Division or at State/UT levels for on-boarding of schemes on DBT mode:-

- Digitisation of beneficiary database with Aadhaar, Mobile number, and bank account for schemes involving cash transfer (for schemes involving in kind benefits - Aadhaar, Mobile number of beneficiary and bank account number of supplier delivering intended benefits as per scheme requirement).
- Integrating Beneficiary Consent in scheme portal as per Aadhaar holder consent form Template.
- Automation of approvals by using IT tools and fund transfer through PFMS/State e-FMS.
- Putting in place MIS for monitoring.
- Notifying scheme(s)/scheme components under relevant sections of Aadhaar Act for authentication in consultation with UIDAI.

2. Till now, notifications for mandating Aadhaar number for authentication under Section 7/57 of Aadhaar Act 2016 have been issued for Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojna (PMFBY) and Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) schemes. It is requested that draft notifications for remaining schemes be forwarded to UIDAI or IT Division (DBT Cell) for further vetting by Feb 20, 2017, so that these could be issued by end of current month.

3. DBT Mission, Cabinet Secretariat has laid down following time lines for completion of all activities as part of DBT on-boarding for DAC&FW schemes:-

S.No.	Name of the Scheme	Target date for DBT Implementation
1	Agri Clinics and Agri Business Cent (ACABC) Scheme	31.03.2017
2	Sub Mission on Agriculture Mechanization	30.09.2017

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SNO	Sector	Ministry / Department	Scheme / Program Name	Benefit Type (Cash/ In-Kind)	Budget (FY 16 - 17) (Rs. Cr.)	Total
1	I. Agriculture	i. Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare	Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana	Cash		
2		i. Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare	National Food Security Mission			
3		i. Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare	National Mission on Horticulture	Cash		
4		i. Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare	Interest Subsidy for Short Term Credit To Farmers			
5		i. Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare	Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana			

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Government of India

Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare

Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare

Integrated Nutrient Management Division

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi

Dated the 17th February, 2017

To,

The Manager,
Government of India Press,
Maya Puri, New Delhi.
(with a copy of Hindi Version)

Subject : Publication of notification No. 8-6/2016-Fert. Use dated 17th February, 2017 in the Gazette of India, Extra Ordinary, Part II, Section 3 Sub Section (ii) - reg.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith Hindi and English version of notification No. 8-6/2016-Fert Use dated 17th February 2017 for furnishing proof of possession of Aadhar number or undergoing Aadhar authentication by an individual eligible to the services under Soil Health Management and Soil Health Card Schemes of National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture, in pursuance of the provision of the section 7 of the Aadhar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016) for publishing the same in the Gazette of India, Extra Ordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub Section (ii), Soft copy of the same is also forwarded.

2. It is also certified that the contents of the soft copy and the hard are the same and also approved by the competent authority.

3. Fifty copies of the Notification may be supplied to this Department.

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Received

[Signature]
20.2.17

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

(I. Rani Kumudini)

Joint Secretary to the Government of India

Tele. No. 23381757

Encl: As above

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SECTION 3, SUB-SECTION (ii)]

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भारत सरकार
कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय
(कृषि, सहकारिता और किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय)

नई दिल्ली, तारीख 17 फरवरी, 2017

अधिसूचना

का.आ.- (अ) सेवाओं या फायदों या सहायिकियों के परिदान के लिए एक पहचान दस्तावेज के रूप में आधार का उपयोग सरकारी परिदान प्रक्रियाओं का सरलीकरण करता है, पारदर्शिता और दक्षता लाता है और फायदाग्राहियों को सुविधाजनक और निर्बाध रीति में उनकी हकदारियों को सीधे प्राप्त करने में समर्थ बनाता है और आधार किसी व्यक्ति की पहचान को साबित करने के लिए बहुल दस्तावेज प्रस्तुत करने की आवश्यकता का निवारण करता है ;

और भारत सरकार का कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय (कृषि सहकारिता और किसान कल्याण विभाग) मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध स्कीम (जिसे इसमें इसके पश्चात् एसएचएम कहा गया है) के अधीन सेवाओं का प्रशासन करता है और राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन (जिसे इसमें इसके पश्चात् एनएमएसए कहा गया) जिन्हें राज्य सरकारों और संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासनों द्वारा कार्यान्वित किया जा रहा है और जो (i) मृदा नमूनों का संग्रहण और प्रयोगशालाओं में परीक्षण के प्रति एकसमान दृष्टिकोण (ii) देश में सभी कृषि जोतों की सार्वभौमिक व्याप्ति (iii) प्रत्येक दो वर्ष के पश्चात् मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड जारी करने की प्रस्थापना करती है ।

मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध स्कीम और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीम के अधीन पूर्वोक्त सेवाओं में भारत की संचित निधि से आवृत्ति व्यय अंतर्भूत है;

अतः अब, केंद्रीय सरकार आधार (वित्तीय और अन्य सहायिकियों, प्रसुविधाओं और सेवाओं का लक्षित परिदान) अधिनियम, 2016 (2016 का 18) (जिसे इसमें इसके पश्चात् उक्त अधिनियम कहा गया है) की धारा 7 के उपबंधों के अनुसरण में निम्नलिखित अधिसूचित करती है, अर्थात् :--

1. (1) राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन (एनएमएसए) की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाएं प्राप्त करने के लिए पात्र व्यक्ति से यह अपेक्षित है कि वह आधार संख्या के कब्जे में होने का सबूत प्रस्तुत करे या आधार अधिप्रमाणन प्रक्रिया पूरी करे ।

(2) राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाएं प्राप्त करने के लिए हकदार ऐसे सभी पात्र फायदाग्राही, जिनके पास आधार संख्या नहीं है या जिन्होंने अभी तक आधार के लिए नामांकन नहीं कराया है किंतु राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाएं लेने के इच्छुक हैं 31 मार्च, 2017 तक आधार नामांकन हेतु आवेदन करना होगा, परंतु वह उक्त अधिनियम की धारा 3 के

उपबंधों के अनुसार आधार प्राप्त करने के लिए हकदार है और ऐसा व्यक्ति आधार के लिए नामांकन कराने के लिए किसी आधार नामांकन केंद्र (केंद्रों की सूची यूआईडीएआई की वेबसाइट www.uidai.gov.in पर उपलब्ध है) का दौरा कर सकेगा।

(3) आधार (नामांकन और अद्यतन) विनियम, 2016 के विनियम, 12 के अनुसार, राज्य सरकार या संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन में वह विभाग, जो मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों का कार्यान्वयन कर रहा है, किसी व्यक्ति से यह अपेक्षा करता है कि वह आधार प्रस्तुत करे, ऐसे फायदाग्राहियों के लिए आधार नामांकन सुविधाएं प्रदान करने की अपेक्षा की जाती है जिनका आधार के लिए अभी तक नामांकन नहीं किया गया है और यदि निकट पास पड़ोस जैसे ब्लाक या तालुक या तहसील में आधार नामांकन केन्द्र अवस्थित नहीं है तो राज्य सरकार या संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन में मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों का कार्यान्वयन करने वाला विभाग यूआईडीएआई के विद्यमान रजिस्ट्रारों के साथ समन्वय करके या रजिस्ट्रार, यूआईडीएआई बनकर सुविधाजनक अवस्थानों पर नामांकन सुविधाएं प्रदान कर सकेगा:

परंतु फायदाग्राहियों को आधार समनुदेशित किए जाने के समय तक, राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध तथा मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन, ऐसे व्यक्ति को निम्नलिखित पहचान दस्तावेजों के प्रस्तुत किए जाने के अधीन रहते हुए राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन के अधीन सेवाएं प्रदान की जाएंगी, अर्थात्:-

(क) (i) यदि उसने नामांकन करा लिया है तो उसकी आधार नामांकन पहचान स्लिप ; या

(ii) पैरा 2 के उपपैरा (2) में यथाविनिर्दिष्ट अनुसार, आधार नामांकन के लिए उसके द्वारा किए गए अनुरोध की प्रति; और

(ख) (i) भारत निर्वाचन आयोग द्वारा जारी मतदाता पहचान पत्र; या (ii) आयकर विभाग द्वारा जारी स्थायी लेखा संख्यांक (iii) पासपोर्ट; या (iv) मोटर यान अधिनियम 1988 (1988 का 59) के अधीन अनुज्ञापन प्राधिकारी द्वारा जारी चालक अनुज्ञप्ति; या (v) किसी राजपत्रित अधिकारी या तहसीलदार द्वारा उसके शासकीय लेटरहेड पर जारी कोई पहचान प्रमाणपत्र, जिस पर फोटो लगा हो; (vi) डाक विभाग द्वारा जारी पता कार्ड जिसमें नाम और फोटो हो ; या (vii) बैंक फोटो पास बुक या; (viii) किसान फोटो पासबुक ; या (ix) राशन कार्ड; या (x) कोई अन्य दस्तावेज जो राज्य सरकार या संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन द्वारा विनिर्दिष्ट हो :

परंतु यह और कि उपरोक्त दस्तावेजों की इस प्रयोजन के लिए राज्य सरकार या संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन में मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों को कार्यान्वित करने वाले विभाग द्वारा पदाभिहित किसी अधिकारी द्वारा जांच की जाएगी।

2. फायदाग्राहियों को राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन के अधीन मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सुविधाजनक और निर्बाध सेवाएं प्रदान करने के लिए मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों को कार्यान्वित करने वाला विभाग, सभी अपेक्षित व्यवस्था करेगा जिनमें निम्नलिखित सम्मिलित हैं, अर्थात्:-

(1) स्थानीय मीडिया के माध्यम से व्यापक प्रचार और मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों आदि के कार्यान्वयन अभिकरणों के जिला कार्यालयों या क्षेत्रीय कार्यालयों के माध्यम से राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाओं के फायदाग्राहियों को दी जाएंगी जिससे कि उनको स्कीम के अधीन आधार की अपेक्षा के बारे में जागरूक बनाया जा सके और उन्हें अपने क्षेत्रों में उपलब्ध निकटतम आधार नामांकन केन्द्रों पर आधार के लिए स्वयं को 31 मार्च, 2017 तक नामांकित करवाने के लिए सलाह दी जा सके, यदि उनका पहले से नामांकन नहीं किया गया है और स्थानीय रूप से उपलब्ध नामांकन केन्द्रों की सूची उनको उपलब्ध करा दी जाएगी।

(2) यदि राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाओं के फायदाग्राही निकटतम पास पड़ोस जैसे ब्लाक या तालुक या तहसील में आधार नामांकन केन्द्रों की अनुपलब्धता के कारण आधार के लिए नामांकन कराने में असमर्थ हैं तो राज्य सरकार या संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन से यह अपेक्षा की जाती है कि वह सुविधाजनक अवस्थानों पर आधार के लिए नामांकन सुविधाएं सृजित करें और राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध तथा मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाओं के फायदाग्राही राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन इस प्रयोजन के लिए दिए गए वेब पोर्टल के माध्यम से अपने क्षेत्रीय कार्यालयों में पैरा 1 के उप पैरा (3) के परंतुक में विनिर्दिष्ट अपना नाम, पता, मोबाइल नंबर और अन्य ब्यौरे देकर आधार के लिए नामांकन हेतु अपने अनुरोध को रजिस्टर कर सकते हैं।

3. यह अधिसूचना, असम, मेघालय और जम्मू-कश्मीर राज्यों के सिवाय सभी राज्यों और संघ राज्यक्षेत्रों में राजपत्र में इसके प्रकाशन की तारीख से प्रभावी होगी।

[सं. 8-6/2016-उर्वरक उपयोग]

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(आई. रानी कुमुदिनी)

संयुक्त सचिव, भारत सरकार

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No 8-6/2016-Fert Use
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
Integrated Nutrient Management Division

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi
Dated the 17th February, 2017

To,

The Manager,
Government of India Press,
Maya Puri, New Delhi.
(with a copy of Hindi Version)

Subject : Publication of notification No. 8-6/2016-Fert. Use dated 17th February, 2017 in the Gazette of India, Extra Ordinary, Part II, Section 3 Sub Section (ii) - reg.

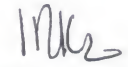
Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith Hindi and English version of notification No. 8-6/2016-Fert Use dated 17th February 2017 for furnishing proof of possession of Aadhar number or undergoing Aadhar authentication by an individual eligible to the services under Soil Health Management and Soil Health Card Schemes of National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture, in pursuance of the provision of the section 7 of the Aadhar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016) for publishing the same in the Gazette of India, Extra Ordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub Section (ii), Soft copy of the same is also forwarded.

2. It is also certified that the contents of the soft copy and the hard are the same and also approved by the competent authority.

3. Fifty copies of the Notification may be supplied to this Department.

Yours faithfully,



(I. Rani Kumudini)
Joint Secretary to the Government of India
Tele. No. 23381757

Encl: As above

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare)

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi; the 17th February, 2017

G.S.R. _____ (E).— Whereas, the use of Aadhaar as identity document for delivery of services or benefits or subsidies simplifies the Government delivery processes, brings in transparency and efficiency, and enables beneficiaries to get their entitlements directly in a convenient and seamless manner and Aadhaar obviates the need for producing multiple documents to prove one's identity;

And whereas, the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare) in the Government of India is administering services under Soil Health Management Scheme (hereinafter referred to as SHM) and Soil Health Card Scheme (hereinafter referred to as SHC) under the National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (hereinafter referred to as NMSA), which are being implemented by the State Governments and Union territory Administrations and offer (i) uniform approach to collection of soil samples and testing at the laboratories, (ii) universal coverage of all the farm holdings in the country; and (iii) issue of Soil Health Cards after every two years;

And whereas, the aforesaid services under Soil Health Management Scheme and Soil Health Card Scheme involves recurring expenditure from the Consolidated Fund of India;

Now therefore, in pursuance of the provisions of the section 7 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016) (herein after referred to as the Act), the Central Government hereby notifies the following, namely: -

1. (1) An individual eligible to receive the services under SHM and SHC schemes of NMSA is hereby required to furnish proof of possession of Aadhaar number or undergo Aadhaar authentication.
- (2) All such eligible beneficiaries entitled to receive services under SHM and SHC schemes of NMSA, who do not possess the Aadhaar Number or, not yet enrolled for Aadhaar, but desirous of availing services under SHM and SHC Schemes of NMSA are hereby required to make application for Aadhaar enrolment by 31st March, 2017, provided he or she is entitled to obtain Aadhaar as per section 3 of the said Act and such individuals may visit any Aadhaar enrolment centre (list available at www.uidai.gov.in) to get enrolled for Aadhaar.

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(3) As per regulation 12 of Aadhaar (Enrolment and Update) Regulations, 2016, the department implementing SHM and SHC Schemes in the State Government or Union territory Administration which requires an individual to furnish Aadhaar, is required to offer Aadhaar enrolment facilities for the beneficiaries who are not yet enrolled for Aadhaar and in case there is no Aadhaar enrolment centre located in the near vicinity such as Block or Taluka or Tehsil, the department implementing SHM and SHC Schemes in the State Government or Union territory Administration may provide Aadhaar enrolment facilities at convenient locations in coordination with the existing Registrars of UIDAI or by becoming UIDAI Registrar:

Provided that, till the Aadhaar is assigned to the beneficiary of services under SHM and SHC Schemes of NMSA, services under NMSA shall be given to such individual subject to the production of the following identification documents, namely:-

- (a) (i). If he or she has enrolled, his or her Aadhaar Enrolment ID slip; or
- (ii). a copy of his or her request made for Aadhaar enrolment, as specified in sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 2 below; and
- (b) (i) Voter ID card issued by the Election Commission of India; or (ii) Permanent Account Number Card issued by the Income Tax Department; or (iii) Passport; or (iv) Driving Licence issued by Licensing authority under Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (59 of 1988); or (v) Certificate of Identity having photo issued by a Gazetted officer or Tehsildar on an official letter head; or (vi) Address card having Name and Photo issued by the Department of Posts; or (vii) Bank Photo Passbook; or (viii) Kisan Photo Passbook; or (ix) Ration Card; or (x) any other document as specified by the State Government or Union territory Administration:

Provided, further that the above documents shall be checked by an officer designated by the department implementing SHM and SHC schemes in the State Government or Union territory Administration for that purpose.

2. In order to provide convenient and hassle free services under SHM and SHC Schemes of NMSA to beneficiaries, the department implementing SHM and SHC Schemes in the State Government or Union territory Administration shall make all the required arrangements including the following; namely:-

(1) Wide publicity through media and individual notices through the district office or implementing agencies or field offices of SHM and SHC Schemes, etc., shall be given to beneficiaries of services under SHM and SHC Schemes of NMSA to make them aware of the requirement of Aadhaar under the Scheme and they may be advised to get themselves enrolled at the nearest Aadhaar enrolment centres available in their areas by 31st March 2017, in case they are not already enrolled and the list of locally available Aadhaar enrolment centres shall be made available to them.

(2) In case the beneficiaries of services under SHM and SHC Schemes of NMSA are not able to enrol due to non-availability of Aadhaar enrolment centres in the

7 nearby vicinity such as the Block or Taluka or Tehsil, the department implementing SHM and SHC Schemes in the State Government or Union territory Administration is required to create Aadhaar enrolment facilities at convenient locations and the beneficiaries of services under SHM and SHC Schemes of NMSA may register their request for Aadhaar enrolment by giving their name, address, mobile number and other details specified in the proviso to sub-paragraph (3) of paragraph 1 with their field offices under SHM and SHC Schemes of NMSA or through the web portal provided for the purpose.

3. This notification shall come into effect from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette in all States and Union territories except the states of Assam, Meghalaya and Jammu and Kashmir.

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(I. Rani Kumudini)

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India

भारत सरकार
कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय
(कृषि, सहकारिता और किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय)

नई दिल्ली, तारीख 17 फरवरी, 2017

अधिसूचना

का.आ.- (अ) सेवाओं या फायदों या सहायिकियों के परिदान के लिए एक पहचान दस्तावेज के रूप में आधार का उपयोग सरकारी परिदान प्रक्रियाओं का सरलीकरण करता है, पारदर्शिता और दक्षता लाता है और फायदाग्राहियों को सुविधाजनक और निर्बाध रीति में उनकी हकदारियों को सीधे प्राप्त करने में समर्थ बनाता है और आधार किसी व्यक्ति की पहचान को साबित करने के लिए बहुत दस्तावेज प्रस्तुत करने की आवश्यकता का निवारण करता है ;

और भारत सरकार का कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय (कृषि सहकारिता और किसान कल्याण विभाग) मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध स्कीम (जिसे इसमें इसके पश्चात् एसएचएम कहा गया है) के अधीन सेवाओं का प्रशासन करता है और राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन (जिसे इसमें इसके पश्चात् एनएमएसए कहा गया) जिन्हें राज्य सरकारों और संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासनों द्वारा कार्यान्वित किया जा रहा है और जो (i) मृदा नमूनों का संग्रहण और प्रयोगशालाओं में परीक्षण के प्रति एकसमान दृष्टिकोण (ii) देश में सभी कृषि जोतों की सार्वभौमिक व्याप्ति (iii) प्रत्येक दो वर्ष के पश्चात् मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड जारी करने की प्रस्थापना करती है ।

मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध स्कीम और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीम के अधीन पूर्वोक्त सेवाओं में भारत की संचित निधि से आवृत्ति व्यय अंतर्भूत है;

अतः अब, केंद्रीय सरकार आधार (वित्तीय और अन्य सहायिकियों, प्रसुविधाओं और सेवाओं का लक्षित परिदान) अधिनियम, 2016 (2016 का 18) (जिसे इसमें इसके पश्चात् उक्त अधिनियम कहा गया है) की धारा 7 के उपबंधों के अनुसरण में निम्नलिखित अधिसूचित करती है, अर्थात् :-

1. (1) राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन (एनएमएसए) की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाएं प्राप्त करने के लिए पात्र व्यष्टि से यह अपेक्षित है कि वह आधार संख्या के कब्जे में होने का सबूत प्रस्तुत करे या आधार अधिप्रमाणन प्रक्रिया पूरी करे ।

(2) राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाएं प्राप्त करने के लिए हकदार ऐसे सभी पात्र फायदाग्राही, जिनके पास आधार संख्या नहीं है या जिन्होंने अभी तक आधार के लिए नामांकन नहीं कराया है किंतु राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाएं लेने के इच्छुक हैं 31 मार्च, 2017 तक आधार नामांकन हेतु आवेदन करना होगा, परंतु वह उक्त अधिनियम की धारा 3 के

उपबंधों के अनुसार आधार प्राप्त करने के लिए हकदार है और ऐसा व्यक्ति आधार के लिए नामांकन कराने के लिए किसी आधार नामांकन केंद्र (केंद्रों की सूची यूआईडीएआई की वेबसाइट www.uidai.gov.in पर उपलब्ध है) का दौरा कर सकेगा।

(3) आधार (नामांकन और अद्यतन) विनियम, 2016 के विनियम, 12 के अनुसार, राज्य सरकार या संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन में वह विभाग, जो मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों का कार्यान्वयन कर रहा है, किसी व्यक्ति से यह अपेक्षा करता है कि वह आधार प्रस्तुत करे, ऐसे फायदाग्राहियों के लिए आधार नामांकन सुविधाएं प्रदान करने की अपेक्षा की जाती है जिनका आधार के लिए अभी तक नामांकन नहीं किया गया है और यदि निकट पास पड़ोस जैसे ब्लाक या तालुक या तहसील में आधार नामांकन केन्द्र अवस्थित नहीं है तो राज्य सरकार या संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन में मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों का कार्यान्वयन करने वाला विभाग यूआईडीएआई के विद्यमान रजिस्ट्रारों के साथ समन्वय करके या रजिस्ट्रार, यूआईडीएआई बनकर सुविधाजनक अवस्थानों पर नामांकन सुविधाएं प्रदान कर सकेगा:

परंतु फायदाग्राहियों को आधार समनुदेशित किए जाने के समय तक, राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध तथा मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन, ऐसे व्यक्ति को निम्नलिखित पहचान दस्तावेजों के प्रस्तुत किए जाने के अधीन रहते हुए राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन के अधीन सेवाएं प्रदान की जाएंगी, अर्थात्:-

(क) (i) यदि उसने नामांकन करा लिया है तो उसकी आधार नामांकन पहचान स्लिप ; या

(ii) पैरा 2 के उपपैरा (2) में यथाविनिर्दिष्ट अनुसार, आधार नामांकन के लिए उसके द्वारा किए गए अनुरोध की प्रति; और

(ख) (i) भारत निर्वाचन आयोग द्वारा जारी मतदाता पहचान पत्र; या (ii) आयकर विभाग द्वारा जारी स्थायी लेखा संख्यांक (iii) पासपोर्ट; या (iv) मोटर यान अधिनियम 1988 (1988 का 59) के अधीन अनुज्ञापन प्राधिकारी द्वारा जारी चालक अनुज्ञप्ति; या (v) किसी राजपत्रित अधिकारी या तहसीलदार द्वारा उसके शासकीय लेटरहेड पर जारी कोई पहचान प्रमाणपत्र, जिस पर फोटो लगा हो; (vi) डाक विभाग द्वारा जारी पता कार्ड जिसमें नाम और फोटो हो ; या (vii) बैंक फोटो पास बुक या; (viii) किसान फोटो पासबुक ; या (ix) राशन कार्ड; या (x) कोई अन्य दस्तावेज जो राज्य सरकार या संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन द्वारा विनिर्दिष्ट हो :

परंतु यह और कि उपरोक्त दस्तावेजों की इस प्रयोजन के लिए राज्य सरकार या संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन में मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों को कार्यान्वित करने वाले विभाग द्वारा पदाभिहित किसी अधिकारी द्वारा जांच की जाएगी।

2. फायदाग्राहियों को राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन के अधीन मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सुविधाजनक और निर्बाध सेवाएं प्रदान करने के लिए मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों को कार्यान्वित करने वाला विभाग, सभी अपेक्षित व्यवस्था करेगा जिनमें निम्नलिखित सम्मिलित हैं, अर्थात्:-

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(1) स्थानीय मीडिया के माध्यम से व्यापक प्रचार और मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों आदि के कार्यान्वयन अभिकरणों के जिला कार्यालयों या क्षेत्रीय कार्यालयों के माध्यम से राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाओं के फायदाग्राहियों को दी जाएंगी जिससे कि उनको स्कीम के अधीन आधार की अपेक्षा के बारे में जागरूक बनाया जा सके और उन्हें अपने क्षेत्रों में उपलब्ध निकटतम आधार नामांकन केन्द्रों पर आधार के लिए स्वयं को 31 मार्च, 2017 तक नामांकित करवाने के लिए सलाह दी जा सके, यदि उनका पहले से नामांकन नहीं किया गया है और स्थानीय रूप से उपलब्ध नामांकन केन्द्रों की सूची उनको उपलब्ध करा दी जाएगी।

(2) यदि राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाओं के फायदाग्राही निकटतम पास पड़ोस जैसे ब्लाक या तालुक या तहसील में आधार नामांकन केन्द्रों की अनुपलब्धता के कारण आधार के लिए नामांकन कराने में असमर्थ हैं तो राज्य सरकार या संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन से यह अपेक्षा की जाती है कि वह सुविधाजनक अवस्थानों पर आधार के लिए नामांकन सुविधाएं सृजित करें और राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध तथा मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाओं के फायदाग्राही राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन इस प्रयोजन के लिए दिए गए वेब पोर्टल के माध्यम से अपने क्षेत्रीय कार्यालयों में पैरा 1 के उप पैरा (3) के परंतुक में विनिर्दिष्ट अपना नाम, पता, मोबाइल नंबर और अन्य ब्यौरे देकर आधार के लिए नामांकन हेतु अपने अनुरोध को रजिस्टर कर सकते हैं।

3. यह अधिसूचना, असम, मेघालय और जम्मू-कश्मीर राज्यों के सिवाय सभी राज्यों और संघ राज्यक्षेत्रों में राजपत्र में इसके प्रकाशन की तारीख से प्रभावी होगी।

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और भारत सरकार का कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय (कृषि, सहकारिता और किसान कल्याण विभाग) मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंधन स्कीम (जिसे इसमें इसके पश्चात् एसएचएम कहा गया है) के अधीन सेवाओं का प्रशासन करता है और राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन (जिसे इसमें इसके पश्चात् एनएमएसए कहा गया) जिन्हें राज्य सरकारों और संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासनों द्वारा कार्यान्वित किया जा रहा है और जो (i) मृदा नमूनों का संग्रहण और प्रयोगशालाओं में परीक्षण के प्रति एकसमान दृष्टिकोण (ii) देश में सभी कृषि जोतों की सार्वभौमिक व्याप्ति (iii) प्रत्येक दो वर्ष के पश्चात् मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड जारी करने की प्रस्थापना करती है।

मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंधन स्कीम और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीम के अधीन पूर्वोक्त सेवाओं में भारत की संचित निधि से आवृत्ति व्यय अंतर्बलित है;

अतः अब, केंद्रीय सरकार आधार (वित्तीय और अन्य सहायिकियों, प्रसुविधाओं और सेवाओं का लक्षित परिदान) अधिनियम, 2016 (2016 का 18) (जिसे इसमें इसके पश्चात् उक्त अधिनियम कहा गया है) की धारा 7

परंतु यह और कि उपरोक्त दस्तावेजों की इस प्रयोजन के लिए राज्य सरकार या संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन में मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों को कार्यान्वित करने वाले विभाग द्वारा पदाभिहित किसी अधिकारी द्वारा जांच की जाएगी।

2. फायदाग्राहियों को राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन के अधीन मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सुविधाजनक और निर्बाध सेवाएं प्रदान करने के लिए मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों को कार्यान्वित करने वाला विभाग, सभी अपेक्षित व्यवस्था करेगा जिनमें निम्नलिखित सम्मिलित हैं, अर्थात्:-

(1) स्थानीय मीडिया के माध्यम से व्यापक प्रचार और मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों आदि के कार्यान्वयन अभिकरणों के जिला कार्यालयों या क्षेत्रीय कार्यालयों के माध्यम से राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाओं के फायदाग्राहियों को दी जाएंगी जिससे कि उनको स्कीम के अधीन आधार की अपेक्षा के बारे में जागरूक बनाया जा सके और उन्हें अपने क्षेत्रों में उपलब्ध निकटतम आधार नामांकन केन्द्रों पर आधार के लिए स्वयं को 31 मार्च, 2017 तक नामांकित करवाने के लिए सलाह दी जा सके, यदि उनका पहले से नामांकन नहीं किया गया है और स्थानीय रूप से उपलब्ध नामांकन केन्द्रों की सूची उनको उपलब्ध करा दी जाएगी।

(2) यदि राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाओं के फायदाग्राही निकटतम पास पडोस जैसे ब्लाक या तालुक या तहसील में आधार नामांकन केन्द्रों की अनुपलब्धता के कारण आधार के लिए नामांकन कराने में असमर्थ हैं तो राज्य सरकार या संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन से यह अपेक्षा की जाती है कि वह सुविधाजनक अवस्थानों पर आधार के लिए नामांकन सुविधाएं सृजित करें और राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध तथा मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाओं के फायदाग्राही राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन इस प्रयोजन के लिए दिए गए वेब पोर्टल के माध्यम से अपने क्षेत्रीय कार्यालयों में पैरा 1 के उप पैरा

(3) के परंतुक में विनिर्दिष्ट अपना नाम, पता, मोबाइल नंबर और अन्य ब्यौरे देकर आधार के लिए नामांकन हेतु अपने अनुरोध को रजिस्टर कर सकते हैं।

3. यह अधिसूचना, असम, मेघालय और जम्मू-कश्मीर राज्यों के सिवाय सभी राज्यों और संघ राज्यक्षेत्रों में राजपत्र में इसके प्रकाशन की तारीख से प्रभावी होगी।

[सं. 8-6/2016-उर्वरक उपयोग]

आई. रानी कुमुदिनी, संयुक्त सचिव

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare)

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 17th February, 2017

S. O. 524(E).—Whereas, the use of Aadhaar as identity document for delivery of services or benefits or subsidies simplifies the Government delivery processes, brings in transparency and efficiency, and enables beneficiaries to get their entitlements directly in a convenient and seamless manner and Aadhaar obviates the need for producing multiple documents to prove one's identity;

And whereas, the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare) in the Government of India is administering services under Soil Health Management Scheme (hereinafter referred to as SHM) and Soil Health Card Scheme (hereinafter referred to as SHC) under the National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (hereinafter referred to as NMSA), which are being implemented by the State Governments and Union territory Administrations and offer (i) uniform

locations and the beneficiaries of services under SHM and SHC Schemes of NMSA may register their request for Aadhaar enrolment by giving their name, address, mobile number and other details specified in the proviso to sub-paragraph (3) of paragraph 1 with their field offices under SHM and SHC Schemes of NMSA or through the web portal provided for the purpose.

3. This notification shall come into effect from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette in all States and Union territories except the states of Assam, Meghalaya and Jammu and Kashmir.

[No.8-6/2016-Fert. Use]

I. RANI KUMUDINI, Jt. Secy.

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Fts. 179305

Subject: Fwd: List of Aadhaar notifications vetted, but not published

To: ranikumudini@nic.in
Cc: secy-agri@gov.in

Date: 02/23/17 04:44 PM
From: Rakesh Bhushan Sinha <rb.sinha@nic.in>

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Agriculture.xlsx (12kB)

This seems to be concerned with INM Division.

----- Original Message -----

From: S K Pattanayak <secy-agri@gov.in>
Date: Feb 23, 2017 4:25:54 PM
Subject: Fwd: List of Aadhaar notifications vetted, but not published
To: Dinesh Kumar <kdinesh@ias.nic.in>
Cc: RB Sinha <rb.sinha@nic.in>, Alka Bhargava <jsmktg-agri@gov.in>

----- Original Message -----

From: Mayur Maheshwari <mayurm@gov.in>
Date: Feb 23, 2017 4:18:06 PM
Subject: List of Aadhaar notifications vetted, but not published
To: "Secretary, D/o Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare" <secy-agri@nic.in>
Cc: Brijesh Pandey <brijesh.p@gov.in>, Mayur Maheshwari <mayurm@gov.in>

Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed list of Aadhar notifications vetted by Ministry of Law but not published.

It is requested that the notifications may be done expeditiously.

Regards

Mayur Maheshwari IAS
Deputy Secretary PMO
South Block
New Delhi - 110011
Ph: 011-23017676
Fax: 011-23016857

Best regards,

S K Pattanayak,
Secretary,
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare

R.B.Sinha

Joint Secretary,
Deptt. of Agriculture & Cooperation,
Govt. of India

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A: List of Notifications vetted by Ministry of Law & Justice, due for publication
[As on 22.2.2017]

	Ministry	Sl.No.	Scheme	Date of receipt of vetted draft
	Deptt. of Agri., Cooperation & Farmer's Welfare, Min. of Agriculture	1	National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA)	10-02-2017
		2	Agri-Clinics and Agri-Business Centres (AC&ABC)	22-02-2017

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Government of India

Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare

Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare

Integrated Nutrient Management Division

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi

Dated the 17th February, 2017

To,

The Manager,
Government of India Press,
Maya Puri, New Delhi.
(with a copy of Hindi Version)

Subject : Publication of notification No. 8-6/2016-Fert. Use dated 17th February 2017 in the Gazette of India, Extra Ordinary, Part II, Section 3 Sub Section (ii) - reg.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith Hindi and English version of notification No. 8-6/2016-Fert Use dated 17th February 2017 for furnishing proof of possession of Aadhar number or undergoing Aadhar authentication by an individual eligible to the services under Soil Health Management and Soil Health Card Schemes of National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture, in pursuance of the provision of the section 7 of the Aadhar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016) for publishing the same in the Gazette of India, Extra Ordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub Section (ii), Soft copy of the same is also forwarded.

2. It is also certified that the contents of the soft copy and the hard are the same and also approved by the competent authority.

3. Fifty copies of the Notification may be supplied to this Department.

Yours faithfully,



(I. Rani Kumudini)

Joint Secretary to the Government of India

Tele. No. 23381757

Encl: As above

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[TO BE PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE OF INDIA, EXTRAORDINARY, PART II,
SECTION 3, SUB-SECTION (ii)]

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare)

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi; the 17th February, 2017

G.S.R. _____ (E).— Whereas, the use of Aadhaar as identity document for delivery of services or benefits or subsidies simplifies the Government delivery processes, brings in transparency and efficiency, and enables beneficiaries to get their entitlements directly in a convenient and seamless manner and Aadhaar obviates the need for producing multiple documents to prove one's identity;

And whereas, the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare) in the Government of India is administering services under Soil Health Management Scheme (hereinafter referred to as SHM) and Soil Health Card Scheme (hereinafter referred to as SHC) under the National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (hereinafter referred to as NMSA), which are being implemented by the State Governments and Union territory Administrations and offer (i) uniform approach to collection of soil samples and testing at the laboratories, (ii) universal coverage of all the farm holdings in the country; and (iii) issue of Soil Health Cards after every two years;

And whereas, the aforesaid services under Soil Health Management Scheme and Soil Health Card Scheme involves recurring expenditure from the Consolidated Fund of India;

Now therefore, in pursuance of the provisions of the section 7 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016) (herein after referred to as the Act), the Central Government hereby notifies the following, namely: -

1. (1) An individual eligible to receive the services under SHM and SHC schemes of NMSA is hereby required to furnish proof of possession of Aadhaar number or undergo Aadhaar authentication.
- (2) All such eligible beneficiaries entitled to receive services under SHM and SHC schemes of NMSA, who do not possess the Aadhaar Number or, not yet enrolled for Aadhaar, but desirous of availing services under SHM and SHC Schemes of NMSA are hereby required to make application for Aadhaar enrolment by 31st March, 2017, provided he or she is entitled to obtain Aadhaar as per section 3 of the said Act and such individuals may visit any Aadhaar enrolment centre (list available at www.uidai.gov.in) to get enrolled for Aadhaar.

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(3) As per regulation 12 of Aadhaar (Enrolment and Update) Regulations, 2016, the department implementing SHM and SHC Schemes in the State Government or Union territory Administration which requires an individual to furnish Aadhaar, is required to offer Aadhaar enrolment facilities for the beneficiaries who are not yet enrolled for Aadhaar and in case there is no Aadhaar enrolment centre located in the near vicinity such as Block or Taluka or Tehsil, the department implementing SHM and SHC Schemes in the State Government or Union territory Administration may provide Aadhaar enrolment facilities at convenient locations in coordination with the existing Registrars of UIDAI or by becoming UIDAI Registrar:

Provided that, till the Aadhaar is assigned to the beneficiary of services under SHM and SHC Schemes of NMSA, services under NMSA shall be given to such individual subject to the production of the following identification documents, namely:-

- (a) (i). If he or she has enrolled, his or her Aadhaar Enrolment ID slip; or
- (ii). a copy of his or her request made for Aadhaar enrolment, as specified in sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 2 below; and
- (b) (i) Voter ID card issued by the Election Commission of India; or (ii) Permanent Account Number Card issued by the Income Tax Department; or (iii) Passport; or (iv) Driving Licence issued by Licensing authority under Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (59 of 1988); or (v) Certificate of Identity having photo issued by a Gazetted officer or Tehsildar on an official letter head; or (vi) Address card having Name and Photo issued by the Department of Posts; or (vii) Bank Photo Passbook; or (viii) Kisan Photo Passbook; or (ix) Ration Card; or (x) any other document as specified by the State Government or Union territory Administration:

Provided, further that the above documents shall be checked by an officer designated by the department implementing SHM and SHC schemes in the State Government or Union territory Administration for that purpose.

2. In order to provide convenient and hassle free services under SHM and SHC Schemes of NMSA to beneficiaries, the department implementing SHM and SHC Schemes in the State Government or Union territory Administration shall make all the required arrangements including the following; namely:-

(1) Wide publicity through media and individual notices through the district office or implementing agencies or field offices of SHM and SHC Schemes, etc., shall be given to beneficiaries of services under SHM and SHC Schemes of NMSA to make them aware of the requirement of Aadhaar under the Scheme and they may be advised to get themselves enrolled at the nearest Aadhaar enrolment centres available in their areas by 31st March 2017, in case they are not already enrolled and the list of locally available Aadhaar enrolment centres shall be made available to them.

(2) In case the beneficiaries of services under SHM and SHC Schemes of NMSA are not able to enrol due to non-availability of Aadhaar enrolment centres in the

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nearby vicinity such as the Block or Taluka or Tehsil, the department implementing SHM and SHC Schemes in the State Government or Union territory Administration is required to create Aadhaar enrolment facilities at convenient locations and the beneficiaries of services under SHM and SHC Schemes of NMSA may register their request for Aadhaar enrolment by giving their name, address, mobile number and other details specified in the proviso to sub-paragraph (3) of paragraph 1 with their field offices under SHM and SHC Schemes of NMSA or through the web portal provided for the purpose.

3. This notification shall come into effect from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette in all States and Union territories except the states of Assam, Meghalaya and Jammu and Kashmir.

[No.8-6/2016-Fert. Use]

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(I. Rani Kumudini)

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India

[भारत के राजपत्र, असाधारण, भाग 2, खंड 3, उपखंड (ii) में प्रकाशनार्थ]

भारत सरकार
कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय
(कृषि, सहकारिता और किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय)

नई दिल्ली, तारीख 17 फरवरी, 2017

अधिसूचना

का.आ.- (अ) सेवाओं या फायदों या सहायिकियों के परिदान के लिए एक पहचान दस्तावेज के रूप में आधार का उपयोग सरकारी परिदान प्रक्रियाओं का सरलीकरण करता है, पारदर्शिता और दक्षता लाता है और फायदाग्राहियों को सुविधाजनक और निर्बाध रीति में उनकी हकदारियों को सीधे प्राप्त करने में समर्थ बनाता है और आधार किसी व्यक्ति की पहचान को साबित करने के लिए बहुल दस्तावेज प्रस्तुत करने की आवश्यकता का निवारण करता है ;

और भारत सरकार का कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय (कृषि सहकारिता और किसान कल्याण विभाग) मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध स्कीम (जिसे इसमें इसके पश्चात् एसएचएम कहा गया है) के अधीन सेवाओं का प्रशासन करता है और राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन (जिसे इसमें इसके पश्चात् एनएमएसए कहा गया) जिन्हें राज्य सरकारों और संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासनों द्वारा कार्यान्वित किया जा रहा है और जो (i) मृदा नमूनों का संग्रहण और प्रयोगशालाओं में परीक्षण के प्रति एकसमान दृष्टिकोण (ii) देश में सभी कृषि जोतों की सार्वभौमिक व्याप्ति (iii) प्रत्येक दो वर्ष के पश्चात् मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड जारी करने की प्रस्थापना करती है ।

मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध स्कीम और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीम के अधीन पूर्वोक्त सेवाओं में भारत की संचित निधि से आवृत्ति व्यय अंतर्भूत है;

अतः अब, केंद्रीय सरकार आधार (वित्तीय और अन्य सहायिकियों, प्रसुविधाओं और सेवाओं का लक्षित परिदान) अधिनियम, 2016 (2016 का 18) (जिसे इसमें इसके पश्चात् उक्त अधिनियम कहा गया है) की धारा 7 के उपबंधों के अनुसरण में निम्नलिखित अधिसूचित करती है, अर्थात् :-

1. (1) राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन (एनएमएसए) की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाएं प्राप्त करने के लिए पात्र व्यक्ति से यह अपेक्षित है कि वह आधार संख्या के कब्जे में होने का सबूत प्रस्तुत करे या आधार अधिप्रमाणन प्रक्रिया पूरी करे ।

(2) राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाएं प्राप्त करने के लिए हकदार ऐसे सभी पात्र फायदाग्राही, जिनके पास आधार संख्या नहीं है या जिन्होंने अभी तक आधार के लिए नामांकन नहीं कराया है किंतु राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाएं लेने के इच्छुक हैं 31 मार्च, 2017 तक आधार नामांकन हेतु आवेदन करना होगा, परंतु वह उक्त अधिनियम की धारा 3 के

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उपबंधों के अनुसार आधार प्राप्त करने के लिए हकदार है और ऐसा व्यक्ति आधार के लिए नामांकन कराने के लिए किसी आधार नामांकन केंद्र (केंद्रों की सूची यूआईडीएआई की वेबसाइट www.uidai.gov.in पर उपलब्ध है) का दौरा कर सकेगा।

(3) आधार (नामांकन और अद्यतन) विनियम, 2016 के विनियम, 12 के अनुसार, राज्य सरकार या संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन में वह विभाग, जो मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों का कार्यान्वयन कर रहा है, किसी व्यक्ति से यह अपेक्षा करता है कि वह आधार प्रस्तुत करे, ऐसे फायदाग्राहियों के लिए आधार नामांकन सुविधाएं प्रदान करने की अपेक्षा की जाती है जिनका आधार के लिए अभी तक नामांकन नहीं किया गया है और यदि निकट पास पड़ोस जैसे ब्लाक या तालुक या तहसील में आधार नामांकन केन्द्र अवस्थित नहीं है तो राज्य सरकार या संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन में मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों का कार्यान्वयन करने वाला विभाग यूआईडीएआई के विद्यमान रजिस्ट्रारों के साथ समन्वय करके या रजिस्ट्रार, यूआईडीएआई बनकर सुविधाजनक अवस्थानों पर नामांकन सुविधाएं प्रदान कर सकेगा:

परंतु फायदाग्राहियों को आधार समनुदेशित किए जाने के समय तक, राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध तथा मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन, ऐसे व्यक्ति को निम्नलिखित पहचान दस्तावेजों के प्रस्तुत किए जाने के अधीन रहते हुए राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन के अधीन सेवाएं प्रदान की जाएंगी, अर्थात्:-

(क) (i) यदि उसने नामांकन करा लिया है तो उसकी आधार नामांकन पहचान स्लिप ; या

(ii) पैरा 2 के उपपैरा (2) में यथाविनिर्दिष्ट अनुसार, आधार नामांकन के लिए उसके द्वारा किए गए अनुरोध की प्रति; और

(ख) (i) भारत निर्वाचन आयोग द्वारा जारी मतदाता पहचान पत्र; या (ii) आयकर विभाग द्वारा जारी स्थायी लेखा संख्यांक (iii) पासपोर्ट; या (iv) मोटर यान अधिनियम 1988 (1988 का 59) के अधीन अनुज्ञापन प्राधिकारी द्वारा जारी चालक अनुज्ञप्ति; या (v) किसी राजपत्रित अधिकारी या तहसीलदार द्वारा उसके शासकीय लेटरहेड पर जारी कोई पहचान प्रमाणपत्र, जिस पर फोटो लगा हो; (vi) डाक विभाग द्वारा जारी पता कार्ड जिसमें नाम और फोटो हो ; या (vii) बैंक फोटो पास बुक या; (viii) किसान फोटो पासबुक ; या (ix) राशन कार्ड; या (x) कोई अन्य दस्तावेज जो राज्य सरकार या संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन द्वारा विनिर्दिष्ट हो :

परंतु यह और कि उपरोक्त दस्तावेजों की इस प्रयोजन के लिए राज्य सरकार या संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन में मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों को कार्यान्वित करने वाले विभाग द्वारा पदाभिहित किसी अधिकारी द्वारा जांच की जाएगी।

2. फायदाग्राहियों को राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन के अधीन मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सुविधाजनक और निर्बाध सेवाएं प्रदान करने के लिए मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों को कार्यान्वित करने वाला विभाग, सभी अपेक्षित व्यवस्था करेगा जिनमें निम्नलिखित सम्मिलित हैं, अर्थात्:-

(1) स्थानीय मीडिया के माध्यम से व्यापक प्रचार और मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों आदि के कार्यान्वयन अभिकरणों के जिला कार्यालयों या क्षेत्रीय कार्यालयों के माध्यम से राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाओं के फायदाग्राहियों को दी जाएंगी जिससे कि उनको स्कीम के अधीन आधार की अपेक्षा के बारे में जागरूक बनाया जा सके और उन्हें अपने क्षेत्रों में उपलब्ध निकटतम आधार नामांकन केन्द्रों पर आधार के लिए स्वयं को 31 मार्च, 2017 तक नामांकित करवाने के लिए सलाह दी जा सके, यदि उनका पहले से नामांकन नहीं किया गया है और स्थानीय रूप से उपलब्ध नामांकन केन्द्रों की सूची उनको उपलब्ध करा दी जाएगी।

(2) यदि राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाओं के फायदाग्राही निकटतम पास पड़ोस जैसे ब्लाक या तालुक या तहसील में आधार नामांकन केन्द्रों की अनुपलब्धता के कारण आधार के लिए नामांकन कराने में असमर्थ हैं तो राज्य सरकार या संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन से यह अपेक्षा की जाती है कि वह सुविधाजनक अवस्थानों पर आधार के लिए नामांकन सुविधाएं सृजित करें और राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध तथा मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन सेवाओं के फायदाग्राही राष्ट्रीय पोषणीय कृषि मिशन की मृदा स्वास्थ्य प्रबंध और मृदा स्वास्थ्य कार्ड स्कीमों के अधीन इस प्रयोजन के लिए दिए गए वेब पोर्टल के माध्यम से अपने क्षेत्रीय कार्यालयों में पैरा 1 के उप पैरा (3) के परंतुक में विनिर्दिष्ट अपना नाम, पता, मोबाइल नंबर और अन्य ब्यौरे देकर आधार के लिए नामांकन हेतु अपने अनुरोध को रजिस्टर कर सकते हैं।

3. यह अधिसूचना, असम, मेघालय और जम्मू-कश्मीर राज्यों के सिवाय सभी राज्यों और संघ राज्यक्षेत्रों में राजपत्र में इसके प्रकाशन की तारीख से प्रभावी होगी।

[सं. 8-6/2016-उर्वरक उपयोग]

रानी

(आई. रानी कुमुदिनी)

संयुक्त सचिव, भारत सरकार

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No.8-6/2016-Fert Use
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
(Fert Use/TNM Divn)

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 10th March, 2017.

To

1. The Chief Secretary,
Govt. of
.....(All States)
2. Director General,
National Informatics Centre,
Deptt. of Electronic & I.T.,
A-Block, CGO Complex, Lodi Road
New Delhi-110 003.
- 3 Chief Executive Officer,
Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI)
Tower-2, 3rd Floor, Jeevan Bharati Building,
New Delhi-110 001.

Subject: Publication of notification No.S.O.524(E) dated 17th February, 2017 in the
Gazette of India, Extra Ordinary, Part-II, Section 3 Sub Section (ii) – reg.
Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of notification No.S.O.524 (E) dated 17th February, 2017 in the Gazette of India, Extra Ordinary, Part-II Section 3 Sub Section(ii) on 20.2.2017 for furnishing proof of possession of Aadhar number or undergoing Aadhar authentication by an individual eligible to the services under Soil Health Management and Soil Health Card Schemes of National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture, in pursuance of the provision of the section 7 of the Aadhar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016).

Yours faithfully,

J.P. Chaudhary
(J.P. Chaudhary)
Assistant Commissioner (INM)

Encl: As above

Copy to : Secretary (Agriculture),
Government of (All States)

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No: 8-6/2016-Fert Use
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture & Cooperation
(Fert Use Cell/ INM Division)

528, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi
Dated the 10th March 2017

Subject : Publication of notification No S.O. 524(E) dated 17th February, 2017 in the Gazette of India, Extra Ordinary, Part -II, Section 3 Sub Section (ii)- reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to e-mail dated 23.02.2017 from your office regarding list of Aadhaar notifications vetted by Ministry of Law and to enclose a copy of notification S.O. 524(E) dated 17th February, 2017 published in the Gazette of India Extra Ordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub Section (ii) on 20th February, 2017.

JP Chaudhary

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Assistant Commissioner (INM)

Encls : As above

Shri Mayur Maheshwari
Deputy Secretary
Prime Ministers' Office
South Block, New Delhi 110 011

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Fert Use <fertusecell@gmail.com>

Publication of notification No. S. O. 524 (E) dated 17th February, 2017 in the Gazette of India, Extra Ordinary, Part-II, Section 3 Sub Section (ii) - reg.

1 message

Fri, Mar 10, 2017 at 5:51 PM

Fert Use <fertusecell@gmail.com>

To: mayurm@gov.in

Cc: I Rani Kumudini <ranikumudini@nic.in>

Sir,

I am directed to refer to e-mail dated 23.02.2017 from your office regarding list of Aadhar notifications vetted by Ministry of law and to enclose a copy of the notification No. S. O. 524 (E) dated 17th February, 2017 on eligibility to receive the services under Soil Health Management and Soil Health Card Schemes in the Gazette of India, Extra Ordinary, Part-II, Section 3 Sub Section (ii) on 20th February, 2017.

Regards,

(J P Chaudhary)
Assistant Commissioner (INM),
DAC&FW,
Krishi Bhawan,
New Delhi

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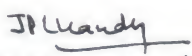
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No: 8-6/2016-Fert Use
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Department of Agriculture & Cooperation
(Fert Use Cell/ INM Division)

528, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi
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Violations of the provisions of the Aadhaar Act, 2016 and Information Technology Act, 2000 -reg

1 message

Fert Use <fertusecell@gmail.com>

Thu, Jun 15, 2017 at 3:51 PM

To: Pratibha Lokhande <pratibha@nic.in>

Madam,

Please find attached letter regarding violations of the provisions of the Aadhaar Act, 2016 and Information Technology Act, 2000

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Regards,

(J P Chaudhary)
Assistant Commissioner (INM),
DAC&FW,
Krishi Bhawan,
New Delhi

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दिनांक 04.05.2017

To

Secretary
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture & Cooperation
Ministry of Agriculture,
Room No. 125, Krishi Bhawan,
New Delhi

Sub: Violations of the provisions of the Aadhaar Act, 2016 and Information Technology Act, 2000

Sir/Madam,

As you are aware that recently there were certain media reports regarding display of residents' Aadhaar numbers and other sensitive personal data such as bank account details etc on websites of various central and state government departments.

2. It may be noted that public display of Aadhaar numbers of residents in such a manner is violation of the section 29(4) of the Aadhaar Act, 2016. Further, financial information such as bank account details, Aadhaar number which is also being used as a financial address are sensitive personal data, the publishing of which is violation of the provisions of the Information Technology Act, 2000 and the Rules framed thereunder and constitute an offense under section 72 of the Information Technology Act, 2000. UIDAI has circulated a list of DOs and DONTs regarding usage of Aadhaar, a copy of which is enclosed for ready reference.

3. Therefore, you are requested to kindly issue instructions to the concerned that all departments need to ensure compliance with the above mentioned provisions of the Aadhaar Act, 2016 and Information Technology Act, 2000. It is also requested to provide us the list of schemes (as per the enclosed proforma) which have collected Aadhaar numbers, the format in which the beneficiary data is displayed on their respective websites and whether Aadhaar number and other sensitive personal data are published in any report / document etc.

Considering the urgency of the matter, an early reply will be appreciated.

Regards,

Yours faithfully

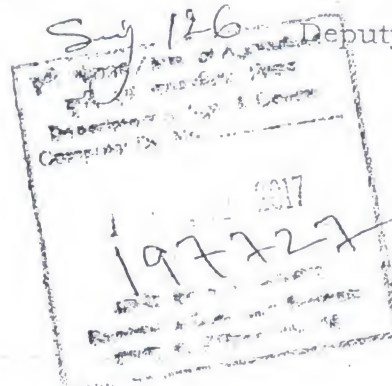
Rupinder Singh
(Rupinder Singh)
Deputy Director General

Encl: as above

Dir(Extn.)	DS(Poi.)
✓ Dir(IT)	ADC()

Initials..... Date. 11/05/17

Remarks.....



1. Read Aadhaar Act, 2016 and its Regulations carefully and ensure compliance of all the provisions of the Aadhaar Act, 2016 and its Regulations.
2. Ensure that everyone involved in Aadhaar related work is well conversant with provisions of Aadhaar Act, 2017 and its Regulations as well as processes, policies specifications, guidelines, circular etc issued by UIDAI from time to time.
3. Create internal awareness about consequences of breaches of data as per Aadhaar Act, 2016.
4. Follow the information security guidelines of UIDAI as released from time to time.
5. Full Aadhaar number display must be controlled only for the Aadhaar holder or various special roles/users having the need within the agency/department. Otherwise, by default, all displays should be masked.
6. Verify that all data capture point and information dissemination points (website, report etc) should comply with UIDAI's security requirements.
7. If agency is storing Aadhaar number in database, data must be encrypted and stored. Encryption keys must be protected securely, preferably using HSMs. If simple spreadsheets are used, it must be password protected and securely stored.
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11. Ensure that employees and officials understand the implications of the confidentiality and data privacy breach.
12. An individual in the organization must be made responsible for protecting Aadhaar linked personal data. That person should be in charge of the security of system, access control, audit, etc.
13. Identify and prevent any potential data breach or publication of personal data.

DONT's FOR AADHAAR USER AGENCIES/DEPARTMENTS

1. Do not publish any personal identifiable data including Aadhaar in public domain/websites etc. Publication of Aadhaar details is punishable under Aadhaar act.
2. Do not store biometric information of Aadhaar holders collected for authentication.
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Format of display of Aadhaar number and other sensitive personal data

S.No.	Name of Scheme	Aadhaar number collected (Yes/No)	Format in which Aadhaar number is published on website / portal or in any other report / document (Full Aadhaar number / Masked few digits / Aadhaar not published)	Format in which other sensitive personal data (bank account details etc) is published on website / portal or in any other report / documents (Full details / Masked few digits / Details not published)
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Format of display of Aadhaar number and other sensitive personal data

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Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperation
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare
IT Division

Krishi Bhawan , New Delhi


Date: 25.05.2017

Office Memorandum

Subject: Violations of the provisions of the Aadhaar Act, 2016 and Information Technology (IT)-Act 2000.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith the Meity, Unique Identification Authority of India's (UIDAI) Letter No. K-11022/642/2017-UIDAI (Auth-II) dated 04.05.2017 with a enclosed copy of a list of DOs and DONTs regarding usage of Aadhaar on the subject mentioned above and to request to ensure compliance with the above mentioned provisions of the Aadhar Act, 2016 and IT Act 2000.

. It is requested to provide list of schemes as per the proforma directly to MeitY in which beneficiary data is displayed on respective websites & where Aadhaar number and other sensitive personal data are published in any report/document etc.


(Promode Kumar Singh)
Under Secretary (IT)
Ph: 23382401

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No.8-6/2016- Fert Use
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
(Fert Use/INM Divn)

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 12th June , 2017.

To
Ms .Pratibha Lokhande,
Technical Director,
NIC Headquarters, A Block,
CGO Complex,
New Delhi.

Subject: Violations of the provisions of the Aadhaar Act, 2016 and Information Technology Act, 2000 reg.

Madam,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of UIDAI letter No.11022/642/2017-UIDAI(Auth-II) dated 4.5.2017 on the subject mentioned above and to request that the information in respect of Soil Health Management(SHM) Scheme and Soil Health Card(SHC) Schemes under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture may be furnished in the prescribed format for onward submission to UIDAI.

Yours faithfully,

J.P. Chaudhary
(J.P. Chaudhary)
Assistant Commissioner (INM)

Encl: As above

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(J.P.Chaudhary)
Assistant Commissioner (INM)

Encl: As above

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No. NIC/AGRID-SHC/2017-4
Government of India
Ministry of Communications and Information Technology
National Informatics Centre

Date: 20th June, 2017

To
Asst. Commissioner (INM)
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Krishi Bhavan
New Delhi

Subject: Information in prescribed format with respect to Aadhaar numbers.

This is regarding letter dated No. 8-6/2016-Fert Use, dated 12th June 2017 requesting information in the prescribed format with respect to Aadhaar numbers

Information in prescribed format is enclosed here as desired.

Yours faithfully,

Pratibha Lukhande
(Pratibha Lukhande)
Technical Director

Encl: Format of display of Aadhaar number and other sensitive personal data

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We may send the enclosed
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Format of display of Aadhaar number and other sensitive personal data

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1	Soil health Card Scheme	Yes	XXXX XXXX XXXX Or Not published	Details Not collected

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No: 8-6/2016 Fert Use
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare
(Fert Use Cell/INM Division)

528, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi
Dated the 27th June, 2017

To


Shri Rupinder Singh
Deputy Director General
MeitY, Unique Identification Authority of India
3rd Floor, Tower 2, Jeevan Bharti Bhavan
Connaught Circus, New Delhi 110001

Subject : Violations of the provisions of the Aadhaar Act, 2016 and Information
Technology Act, 2000.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to letter No K-11022/642/2017- UIDAI (Auth-II) dated 04.05.2017 on the subject mentioned above and to inform that Fert Use Cell (INM Division) is implementing Soil Health Card Scheme. The GOI is providing financial assistance to the State Governments for implementation. The details of soil health cards issued are in the Soil Health Card Portal managed by NIC. The requisite information was sought from the NIC and enclosed for your information please.

Yours faithfully,


(JP Chaudhary)
Assistant Commissioner (INM)

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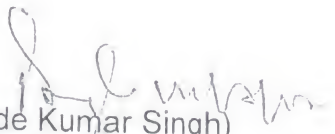
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Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
(IT Section)

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi
Dated 11.07.2017

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Use of Aadhar as identifier for deliver service/benefits/subsidies.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of OM No. 10(27)/2016-EG-II dated 22.6.2017 received from Ministry of Electronics and Informational Technology on the subject mentioned above for necessary action.


(Promode Kumar Singh)
Under Secretary (IT)
Phone: 23382926


Encl: As above.

To: All Divisional Heads, DAC&FW.

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Subject: -Extension of stipulated date for Aadhaar Enrolment as mentioned in various Notifications issued by Central Ministries under Section 7 of Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 upto 30th September, 2017.

The use of Aadhaar as identifier for delivery of services/benefits/subsidies simplifies Government delivery processes, brings in good governance, transparency and efficiency, and enables beneficiaries to get their entitlements directly to them in a convenient and hassle free manner. Aadhaar obviates the need for producing multiple documents to prove identity.

2. The Central Ministries for the purpose of using Aadhaar for delivery of services, benefits and subsidies funded from the Consolidated Fund of India have issued notifications under Section 7 of the Aadhaar Act. The list of such notifications is given in Annexure. The Notifications *inter alia* mention the stipulated dates by which the beneficiaries of the respective scheme shall have to provide Aadhaar number or to apply for Aadhaar enrolment.
3. In order to facilitate convenient and seamless delivery of services/benefits/subsidies covered by these notifications to the intended eligible beneficiaries and avoid hardships to such beneficiaries, it has now been decided to extend the stipulated date in the notifications to 30th September, 2017 (wherever stipulated date is prior to 30th September, 2017). for only those beneficiaries who have not enrolled for Aadhaar. It is further clarified that this extension shall only apply to those beneficiaries who are not assigned Aadhaar number or those who have not yet enrolled for Aadhaar. Such beneficiaries are required to enroll for Aadhaar by 30th September, 2017 and provide their Aadhaar number or enrolment ID as required under the respective notifications issued under Section 7 of the Aadhaar Act.
4. For such beneficiaries who have not enrolled for Aadhaar, the respective Ministries/Departments should facilitate their Aadhaar enrolments through appropriate measures, in accordance with Regulation 12 of Aadhaar (Enrolment and Update) Regulations, 2016 and ensure that the benefits are continued to them on the basis of alternate means of identification till they are assigned Aadhaar numbers in accordance with Section 7 of the Aadhaar Act.
5. The respective Ministries/Departments should also take special measures to issue Aadhaar numbers to women, children, senior citizens, persons with disability, unskilled and unorganized workers, nomadic tribes or to such other persons who do not have any permanent dwelling house etc. in accordance with Section 5 of the Aadhaar Act, 2016, to ensure that the services/benefits are not denied to the eligible beneficiaries.
6. The respective Ministries/Departments should issue necessary orders in this regard and provide wide publicity for the information of their beneficiaries and public at large.

(Rajiv Bansal
Joint Secretary

To Secretaries to Government of India
All Central Ministries/Departments

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DATE 27/6/17

REMARKS

Circulate to related divs.

List of Notifications under Section 7 the Aadhaar Act 2016 published in Gazette of India

Sl.No	Ministry/Department	Sl No	Name of the Scheme	Date of publication in Official Gazette
1	Ministry of Labour and Employment	1	Employees Pension Scheme, 1995	1/4/2017
		2	Housing Subsidy Benefit	1/30/2017
		3	Scholarship Subsidy Benefit	2/29/2017
		4	National Career Services (NCS)	2/27/2017
		5	Stipend to Trainees under the Scheme of Welfare for SC/STs Job Seekers through coaching guidance & vocational training	2/27/2017
		6	Stipend to persons with disabilities defined under The Right of Person With Disabilities (RPWD) Act	2/27/2017
		7	Bonded Labour Rehabilitation Scheme	3/6/2017
		8	National Child Labour Project (NCLP)	3/24/2017
		9	Grants-in-aid to Voluntary Organizations (stipend component for training centres)	3/24/2017
2	Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship	10	National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS)	2/10/2017
		11	Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikash Yojana (PMKVY)	3/20/2017
3	Department of Personnel & Training	12	Five identified schemes	2/15/2017
4	Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare	13	Crop Insurance Schemes	2/8/2017
		14	Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH)	3/10/2017
		15	Soil Health Management and Soil Health Card under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA)	2/20/2017
		16	Agri-Clinics and Agri-Business Centres (AC&ABC)	3/22/2017
		17	National Food Security Mission (NFSM)	3/17/2017
		18	Per Drop More Crop component of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY)	3/21/2017
		19	Support to State Extension Programmes for Extension Reform - ATMA Scheme	4/5/2017
		20	Rainfed Area Development under NMSA	4/25/2017
		21	National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP)	4/28/2017
		22	Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanism Scheme (SMAM) [Component 1 & 2] [Central Sector]	4/27/2017
		23	Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanism Scheme (SMAM) [Component 3 to 8] [Centrally Sponsored]	4/27/2017
		24	Sub-Mission on Seeds & Planting Material's (SMSP) under National Mission on Agriculture Extension and Technology (NMAET)	5/9/2017

Sl.No	Ministry/Department	Sl.No	Name of the Scheme	Date of publication in Official Gazette
		25	Cooperative Training and Education by NCCU and NCCP	2/2/2017
5	Deptt. of Higher Education, MHRD	26	Central Sector Scholarship Scheme for College and University Students	2/1/2017
		27	Scholarship & Fellowship Schemes being implemented by UGC and AICTE	3/26/2017
6	Deptt. of School Education & Literacy, MHRD	28	National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme (NMMSS)	2/15/2017
		29	National Scheme of Incentive to Girls for Secondary Education (NSIGSE)	2/15/2017
		30	Payment of salary/honorarium to teachers & staff under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA)	3/2/2017
		31	Benefits to 6 to 14 yrs children under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA)	3/2/2017
		32	Inclusive Education of the Disabled at Secondary State (IEDSS) under RMSA	3/1/2017
		33	Scheme of Adult Education & Skill Development - Saakshar Bharat	3/3/2017
		34	Scheme of support to NGOs/Institutions /SRCs for Adult Education and Skill Development	3/3/2017
		35	Mid-day Meal for Children	2/28/2017
		36	Payment of honorarium to Cook-cum-Helpers (CCHs) under MDM Scheme	2/28/2017
		37	Scheme for providing Quality Education for Madarsas (SPQEM)	4/25/2017
7	Deptt. of Social Justice and Empowerment	38	Central Sector/Centrally Sponsored Scholarship Schemes (12)	2/15/2017
		39	Assistance to Voluntary Organizations under various Schemes (4 schemes)	3/1/2017
		40	Benefits of Schemes of NSFDC, NBCFDC and NSKFDC	3/1/2017
		41	Other Central Sector/ Centrally sponsored schemes (three schemes)	3/1/2017
		42	Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 and the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989	3/1/2017
		43	Self-Employment Scheme for Rehabilitation of Manual Scavengers (SRMS)	3/17/2017
		44	Schemes of Dr Ambedkar Foundation	4/7/2017
8	Deptt. of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities	45	Assistance to disabled persons for purchase/fitting of Aids and Appliances (ADIP)	3/3/2017
		46	Scholarship Schemes for education of students with disabilities (5 schemes)	3/3/2017
		47	National Action Plan for Skill Training of persons with disabilities under SIPDA	3/3/2017
		48	Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme (DDRS)	4/10/2017
		49	District Disability Rehabilitation Centres (DDRCs)	4/28/2017
9	Ministry of Women and Child Development	50	Supplementary Nutrition Programme under ICDS Scheme	2/5/2017

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		51	Payment of honorarium to AWWs & AMHs under CDS Scheme	2/21/2017
		52	Supplementary Nutrition for children offered at Creche Centres	2/21/2017
		53	Honorarium paid towards the Creche Workers and Creche Helpers	2/21/2017
		54	Maternity Benefit Programme (MBP)	2/23/2017
		55	Scheme for Adolescent Girls	2/16/2017
		56	National Mission for Empowerment of Women (NMEW)	2/16/2017
		57	ICDS Training Programme	2/14/2017
		58	Ujjawala Scheme	2/25/2017
		59	Gadhar Scheme	2/25/2017
		60	Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS)	2/23/2017
		61	STEP Programme	2/25/2017
		62	Rashtriya Mahila Kosh	2/25/2017
10	Ministry of Rural Development	63	MGNREGA	1/4/2017
		64	Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM)	2/28/2017
		65	National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP)	2/27/2017
		66	Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Gramin (PMAY-G)	2/15/2017
		67	Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY)	2/15/2017
11	Deptt of Food & Public Distribution	68	Targetted Public Distribution System (TPDS)	2/8/2017
12	Ministry of Health & Family Welfare	69	Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY)	2/10/2017
		70	Payment of performance based incentives to Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHA) under National Health Mission	3/3/2017
		71	Payment of remuneration to contractual staff engaged under National Health Mission	3/3/2017
		72	Revised National Tuberculosis Control Programme [RNTCP]	6/19/2017
13	M/o Panchayati Raj	73	e-Panchayat Mission Mode Project	2/17/2017
14	M/o Water Resources, RD & GR	74	Research & Development Programme	2/27/2017
		75	National Water Mission	3/6/2017
		76	Painting & Essay Competitions for School Children under IEC component of HRD & Capacity Building Scheme	3/31/2017
15	Deptt. of Ex-Servicemen Welfare, Ministry of Defence	77	Pension to retired Defence Forces Pensioners/Family Pensioners	3/6/2017

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16	Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers	78	National Awards Scheme for Technology Innovation in Petrochemicals & Downstream Plastics Processing Industry	3/4/2017
		79	Bhopal Gas Leak Disaster Scheme	3/5/2017
		80	Fertilizers Subsidy	6/13/2017
17	Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas	81	LPG connection under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY)	3/6/2017
		82	PDS Kerosene Subsidy	4/28/2017
18	Ministry of Information and Broadcasting	83	Journalist Welfare Scheme	3/7/2017
		84	Scholarship Scheme of Satyajit Ray Film & Television Institute	3/7/2017
19	Ministry of Science & Technology	85	INSPIRE Awards/Fellowships	3/9/2017
20	Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation	86	Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin)	2/17/2017
21	Ministry of Textiles	87	National Handicraft Development Programme (NHDP)	3/29/2017
		88	National Handloom Development Programme Scheme & Comprehensive Development of Handlooms Scheme for Handloom Weavers	3/29/2017
		89	Integrated Scheme for Development of Silk Industry	4/25/2017
22	Ministry of Heavy Industry & Public Enterprises	90	Excise Duty Subsidy on purchase of Car by Physically Handicapped Persons	3/29/2017
		91	FAME India Scheme	5/4/2017
23	Ministry of AYUSH	92	National AYUSH Mission	4/3/2017
24	Ministry of Corporate Affairs	93	Internship Scheme for Post-Graduate Students	4/19/2017
25	Ministry of Urban Development	94	Swachh Bharat Mission (Urban)	4/28/2017
26	Ministry of Minority Affairs	95	Scholarship Schemes (3 Schemes)	4/24/2017
		96	Seekho Aur Kamao	5/2/2017
		97	Upgrading Skills & Training in Traditional Arts/Crafts for Development (USTTAD)	5/2/2017
27	Ministry of Road Transport & Highways	98	National Award for individual in the field of Road Safety	4/26/2017
		99	Refresher Training to Drivers in Unorganized Sector & HRD	4/26/2017
28	Ministry of Culture	100	Schemes of Scholarship/ Fellowships / Grants for promoting culture (a) Award of Scholarship to Young Artistes in Different Cultural Fields. (b) Award of Fellowships to Outstanding Persons in the field of Culture and (c) Tagore National Fellowship/ Scholarship for Cultural Research	5/3/2017

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Sl.No	Ministry/Department	Sl.No.	Name of the Scheme	Date of publication in Official Gazette
		101	Central Sector Schemes of (a) Performing Arts Grant Scheme (b) Scheme for Financial Assistance to Culture Organizations with National Presence (c) Artists Pension Scheme and Welfare Fund (d) Cultural Functions and Production Grant Scheme (e) Promoting International Cultural Relations	5/30/2017
29	Ministry of Tourism	102	Training Programmes	5/12/2017
30	Ministry of Finance	103	Atal Pension Yojana (APY)	5/11/2017
31	Department of Pharmaceuticals, Micro Chemicals and Fertilizers	104	Scholarship to NIPER Students	5/16/2017
		105	Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP)	5/30/2017
32	Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment Poverty Alleviation	106	Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM)	5/23/2017
33	Ministry of Tribal Affairs	107	Central Sector and Centrally Sponsored Scholarship Schemes	5/30/2017
		108	Grant-in-Aid to Voluntary Organizations working for welfare of STs	5/30/2017
		109	Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs)	5/30/2017
		110	Vocation training in tribal areas	5/30/2017
		111	Institutional support for Development & Marketing of Tribal Products/Produce	5/30/2017

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To

Secretary

Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture & Cooperation
Ministry of Agriculture,
Room No. 125, Krishi Bhawan,
New Delhi

Sub: Violations of the provisions of the Aadhaar Act, 2016 and Information Technology Act, 2000

Sir/Madam,

As you are aware that recently there were certain media reports regarding display of residents' Aadhaar numbers and other sensitive personal data such as bank account details etc on websites of various central and state government departments.

2. It may be noted that public display of Aadhaar numbers of residents in such a manner is violation of the section 29(4) of the Aadhaar Act, 2016. Further, financial information such as bank account details, Aadhaar number which is also being used as a financial address are sensitive personal data, the publishing of which is violation of the provisions of the Information Technology Act, 2000 and the Rules framed thereunder and constitute an offense under section 72 of the Information Technology Act, 2000. UIDAI has circulated a list of DOs and DONTs regarding usage of Aadhaar, a copy of which is enclosed for ready reference.

3. Therefore, you are requested to kindly issue instructions to the concerned that all departments need to ensure compliance with the above mentioned provisions of the Aadhaar Act, 2016 and Information Technology Act, 2000. It is also requested to provide us the list of schemes (as per the enclosed proforma) which have collected Aadhaar numbers, the format in which the beneficiary data is displayed on their respective websites and whether Aadhaar number and other sensitive personal data are published in any report / document etc.

Considering the urgency of the matter, an early reply will be appreciated.

Regards,

Yours faithfully

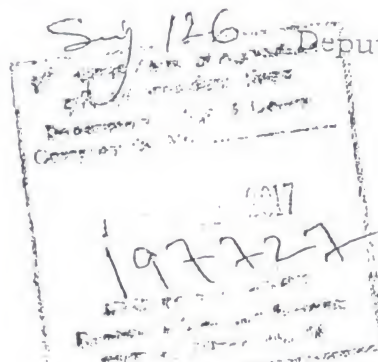
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(Rupinder Singh)
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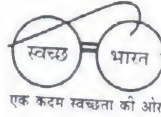
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Secretary



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D.O. No. Dir(FA)/DBT-NIC/2017(Pt.)
8th September, 2017

Dear Shri Pattanayak

As you are aware that the pilot Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) system for fertilizer subsidy payments is under implementation in 19 districts across the country. Under the proposed fertilizer DBT system, 100% subsidy on various fertilizer grades shall be released to the fertilizer companies on the basis of actual sales made by the retailer to the beneficiaries. Sale of all subsidised fertilizers to farmers/buyers will be made through Point of Sale (PoS) devices installed at each retailer shop and the beneficiaries will be identified through Aadhaar Card, Kisan Credit Card (KCC) and Voter Identity Card. The pilot has been implemented in 17 districts and based on this experience, the Department has drawn up an action plan to roll out DBT across the country in a phase-wise manner (**Details at Annexure-1**).

One of the important features of the DBT in fertilizers is the generation of Soil Health Card (SHC) recommendations on the basis of Aadhar Based Biometric Authentication of the buyer. This in turn would enable recommendation of appropriate mix of fertilizers compatible to the soil health profile of the agricultural land held by the beneficiary. The Department of Agriculture has already been requested to share the SHC database with NIC, DoF. This would enable Department of Fertilizers to retrieve the SHC data promptly as per the requirements of DBT in fertilizers.

3. Further to this, I would like to highlight that as per the information available on the Soil Health Card scheme portal (<http://soilhealth.dac.gov.in>), out of a target of 12 crores (approx.), only 9.12 crores of SHCs have been distributed by State Agriculture Departments (**Details at Annexure-2**). It is requested to expedite the issue/distribution of rest of the Soil Health Cards to the targeted beneficiaries. Also, the necessary action for Aadhar seeding of Soil Health Cards may be completed in a time bound manner by the State Agriculture Departments. This would facilitate smooth rollout of DBT and passing on the intended benefits of DBT in fertilizers to the end beneficiaries.

4. May I request you to look into the matter personally and instruct the concerned officials to take necessary action in a time bound manner.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,
Sd/-
(Bharathi Sivaswami Sihag)

Encls : As above
All the Chief Secretaries /Administrators

Copy to:

Shri Shobhana K. Pattanayak
Secretary Department of Agriculture Cooperation and Farmers Welfare
Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.

(Bharathi Sivaswami Sihag)

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State-Wise GO LIVE Schedule for implementation of DBT in Fertilizers

S. No.	Name of the State	Expected GO Live Date
1	NCT of Delhi live on DBT in fertilizers	1 st September, 2017
2	Mizoram, Andaman & Nicobar, Daman & Diu, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Tripura, Manipur, Nagaland, Goa, Puducherry, Assam, Maharashtra, Gujarat.	1 st October, 2017
3	Andhra Pradesh, Haryana, Rajasthan, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, Uttarakhand, Chhattisgarh, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh	1 st November, 2017
4	Kerala, Bihar, Karnataka, Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand, Telangana, West Bengal, Odisha	1 st January 2018

State-wise Status of Soil Health Card Scheme Cycle-I as on 05.09.2017

Sl. No.	State	Cumulative Target for Soil Samples Collection & Testing during Cycle-I (2015-16 & 2016-17)	No. of Samples Collected (Cycle-I)	Percent Progress of Soil Samples Collected (Cycle-I)	No. of Samples Collected during last week	No. of Samples Tested (Cycle-I)	Percent Progress of Soil Samples Tested (Cycle-I)	No. of Samples Tested during last week	Cumulative Target for Printing & Distribution of SHCs for Cycle-I (2015-16 & 2016-17)	No. of SHCs Printed (Cycle-I)	Percent Progress of SHCs Printed (Cycle-I)	No. of SHCs Printed during last week	No. of SHCs Distributed (Cycle-I)	Percent Progress of SHCs Distributed (Cycle-I)	No. of SHCs Distributed during last week
Group - I															
1	Uttar Pradesh	4770399	4770399	100.00	0	3429277	71.89	102799	*23325459	10134178	43.45	90801	10134178	43.45	90801
2	Maharashtra	2347121	2347121	100.00	0	2660000	>100.00	0	12977232	12977232	100.00	0	12977232	100.00	0
3	Madhya Pradesh	2313977	2313977	100.00	0	2373034	>100.00	0	*8872377	8872377	100.00	0	8872377	100.00	0
4	Rajasthan	2308013	2308013	100.00	0	2301060	99.70	150000	*6886000	5734000	83.27	257000	5243000	76.14	201000
Group - II															
1	Karnataka	1665765	1665765	100.00	0	1682655	>100.00	0	*7832189	7832204	100.00	0	7832204	100.00	0
2	Gujarat	1589236	1589236	100.00	0	3343027	>100.00	0	*5108923	4769002	93.35	0	4769002	93.35	0
3	Andhra Pradesh	1348382	1348382	100.00	0	1602480	>100.00	0	*7455204	7455204	100.00	0	7455204	100.00	0
4	Bihar	1308778	1308778	100.00	0	1085479	82.94	0	7236233	4802386	66.37	0	4802386	66.37	0
5	West Bengal	1300349	1300349	100.00	0	1300349	100.00	0	*5040510	4021000	79.77	21000	4021000	79.77	21000
6	Tamil Nadu	1274536	1274536	100.00	0	1287781	>100.00	0	*7000000	7000000	100.00	0	7000000	100.00	0
7	Telangana	1034678	1034678	100.00	0	1034678	100.00	0	5720737	5720737	100.00	0	5720737	100.00	0
Group - III															
1	Punjab	835526	835526	100.00	0	364254	43.60	0	4619621	798668	17.29	0	777068	16.82	0
2	Haryana	788670	788670	100.00	0	788670	100.00	0	4360555	2872645	65.88	5338	1628537	37.33	7000
3	Chhattisgarh	703691	703691	100.00	0	768576	>100.00	0	3890709	4113582	>100.00	0	4030709	>100.00	0
4	Odisha	668635	668635	100.00	0	668635	100.00	0	3696881	3216286	87.00	0	2402973	65.00	0
Group - IV															
1	Kerala	127585	127585	100.00	0	182597	>100.00	0	705420	705420	100.00	0	705420	100.00	0
2	Goa	25000	25000	100.00	0	25000	100.00	0	25000	20372	81.49	0	20372	81.49	0
3	Uttarakhand	135738	135738	100.00	0	135738	100.00	0	750494	750494	100.00	0	750494	100.00	0
4	Himachal Pradesh	69635	69635	100.00	0	95108	>100.00	0	385011	542813	>100.00	0	542813	>100.00	0
5	J & K	165318	165318	100.00	0	140000	84.69	0	914044	511000	55.91	0	250000	27.35	0
6	Jharkhand	115302	115302	100.00	0	115302	100.00	0	637507	637507	100.00	0	522810	82.01	0
7	Arunachal Pradesh	20532	20532	100.00	0	19001	92.54	0	113523	14041	12.37	0	11200	9.87	0
8	Assam	278707	278707	100.00	0	81281	29.16	467	1540968	169824	11.02	538	157970	10.25	0
9	Manipur	20713	20713	100.00	0	6380	30.80	0	114522	5916	5.17	0	5351	4.67	0
10	Meghalaya	39372	39372	100.00	0	41786	>100.00	0	209561	209561	100.00	0	209561	100.00	0
11	Mizoram	11986	11986	100.00	0	10262	85.62	0	11986	8216	68.55	0	8216	68.55	0
12	Nagaland	33423	33423	100.00	0	33423	100.00	0	184797	184797	100.00	0	184797	100.00	0
13	Sikkim	13217	13217	100.00	0	13217	100.00	0	46000	46000	100.00	0	46000	100.00	0
14	Tripura	32736	32736	100.00	0	36000	>100.00	0	*117723	117723	100.00	0	117723	100.00	0
Union Territories															
1	Andaman & Nicobar	1405	1405	100.00	0	2176	>100.00	0	7799	2133	27.35	0	1918	24.59	0
2	Dadar Nagar & Haveli	2162	2162	100.00	0	2162	100.00	0	12000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0
3	Puducherry	3530	3530	100.00	0	4736	>100.00	0	19594	19594	100.00	0	19594	100.00	0
Total		25354117	25354117	100.00	0	25634064	100.00	253266	119818579	94264912	78.67	374677	91220846	76.11	329000

* As per change targets by States

File No: 8-6/2017-Fert.Use
 Government of India
 Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
 Department of Agri., Coopn. & FW
 (Fert Use Cell/ INM Division)

528, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
 Dated the 14th September, 2017

To,
 The Principal Secretary (Agriculture)
 Govt. of..... (All States & UTs)

Subject: Aadhaar seeding of Soil Health Cards for Implementation of Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) system in fertilizer subsidy payments –reg.

Sir,

As you are aware that the pilot Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) system for fertilizer subsidy payments is under implementation in 19 districts across the country. One of the important features of the DBT in fertilizers is the generation of Soil Health Card (SHC) recommendations on the basis of Aadhaar Based Biometric Authentication of the buyer. This in turn would enable recommendation of appropriate mix of fertilizers compatible to the soil health profile of the agricultural land held by the beneficiary. The SHC database would enable the Department of Fertilizers to retrieve the SHC data promptly as per the requirements of DBT in fertilizers.

2. Further to this, I would like to highlight that as per the information available on the Soil Health Card Scheme portal (<http://soilhealth.dac.gov.in>), out of a target of 12 crore (approx.), only 9.14 crore of SHCs have been distributed by State Agriculture Departments. The issue/distribution of rest of the Soil Health Cards to the targeted beneficiaries may be expedited and the necessary action for Aadhar seeding of Soil Health Card may also be completed in a time bound manner. This would facilitate smooth rollout of DBT and passing on the intended benefits of DBT in fertilizers to the end beneficiaries.

3. May I request you to look into the matter personally and instruct the concerned officials to take necessary action in a time bound manner.

Yours faithfully



(Neeraja Adidam)
 Joint Secretary (INM)

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Department of Agriculture, Cooperation
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D.O. No.8-6/2016-Fert.Use

11th October, 2017

Dear Smt Sihag,

Kindly refer to your D.O. No.Dir(FA)/DBT-NIC/2017(Pt) dated 8th September, 2017 regarding Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) system for fertilizer subsidy payments. In this regard, the States have been directed to expedite distribution of soil health cards to the targetted beneficiaries and to complete Aadhaar seeding of soil health cards in a time bound manner. A copy of letter is enclosed for your ready reference.

Further, it is also informed that out of a target of 12 crore (approx), 9.28 crore of SHCs have been distributed by State Agriculture Departments as on 10.10.2017. During the weekly video conferencing, the States have been directed to complete distribution of soil health cards by end of October and upload the soil health card and Aadhaar details of farmers on the portal.

With kind regards

Encl: as above.

Yours sincerely,

S.K. Pattanayak
(S.K. Pattanayak)

Smt. Bharathi Sivaswami Sihag
Secretary
Department of Fertilizers
Shastri Bhawan
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D.O. No. Dir(FA)/DBT-NIC/2017(Pt.)

8th September, 2017

Dear Shri Pattanayak

As you are aware that the pilot Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) system for fertilizer subsidy payments is under implementation in 19 districts across the country. Under the proposed fertilizer DBT system, 100% subsidy on various fertilizer grades shall be released to the fertilizer companies on the basis of actual sales made by the retailer to the beneficiaries. Sale of all subsidised fertilizers to farmers/buyers will be made through Point of Sale (PoS) devices installed at each retailer shop and the beneficiaries will be identified through Aadhaar Card, Kisan Credit Card (KCC) and Voter Identity Card. The pilot has been implemented in 17 districts and based on this experience, the Department has drawn up an action plan to roll out DBT across the country in a phase-wise manner (Details at Annexure-1).

One of the important features of the DBT in fertilizers is the generation of Soil Health Card (SHC) recommendations on the basis of Aadhaar Based Biometric Authentication of the buyer. This in turn would enable recommendation of appropriate mix of fertilizers compatible to the soil health profile of the agricultural land held by the beneficiary. The Department of Agriculture has already been requested to share the SHC database with NIC, DoF. This would enable Department of Fertilizers to retrieve the SHC data promptly as per the requirements of DBT in fertilizers.

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With regards,

Yours sincerely,
Sd/-
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Encls : As above
All the Chief Secretaries /Administrators

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SHC is not gaining acceptance amongst farmers.

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Reasons for Slow Acceptance of SHC

- *Grid selection* area is too large to uniquely represent every individual farm land in the sample grid.
- *Soil sampling* period is 3 years. This is a long period and soil undergoes changes due to varying climatic conditions.
- *No say* of farmers in the whole process (for example, from which areas of land to pick sample). Farmers are mere spectators; they do not feel involved in the process.
- SHC recommendations are for the *entire crop cycle*; in reality fertilisers are applied in *multiple stages* in a crop cycle.
- SHC recommendations are for only 1-2 crops; those growing other crops don't tend to follow the recommendations.



I don't need any guidance to decide the kind and quantity of fertilisers to be purchased as I have been farming for 20 years. I may ask about seeds/pesticides but not fertilisers – Farmer, A.P

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NITI Aayog
(Governance and Research Vertical)

Sansad Marg, New Delhi
Dated: 26th December, 2017

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of the meeting of the Committee on DBT in Fertilizers- reg. Disbursement of subsidy directly to the farmer's bank account

The undersigned is directed to refer to the above subject and to forward herewith a copy of approved minutes of the meeting, of the Committee on DBT in Fertilizers, held in NITI Aayog on 13.12.2017, for information and perusal.

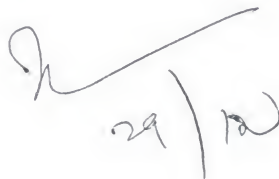

(Neeraj Singhal)
Director
Tel: 23096742

To,

1. Secretary, Department of Fertilizers.
2. Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Co-operation & Farmer's Welfare
3. Chief Economic Adviser, Ministry of Finance
4. Director General, UIDAI
5. Shri Anurag Jain, Joint Secretary, Prime Minister's Office
6. Shri Rajiv Ranjan, Joint Secretary (Expenditure), Ministry of Finance
7. Shri P K Tiwari, Joint Secretary, Department of Food and Public Distribution
8. Shri H S Meena, Joint Secretary, Department of Land Resources
9. Ms. A. Neerja, Joint Secretary, Deptt of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmer's Welfare
10. Shri Peeyush Kumar, Joint Secretary, DBT Mission , Cabinet Secretariat

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3. PPS to CEO, NITI Aayog
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5. Adviser (G&R), NITI Aayog
6. Adviser (Agriculture), NITI Aayog


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Subject: Minutes of the meeting of the Committee on DBT in Fertilizers held on 13th December 2017 at 5.00 pm in room no. 134 NITI Aayog under the Chairmanship of Sh. Amitabh Kant, CEO NITI Aayog to discuss disbursement of subsidy directly to the farmer's bank account

A meeting of the Committee on DBT in Fertilizers was held on 13th December 2017 at 5.00 pm in room no. 134 NITI Aayog under the Chairmanship of Shri Amitabh Kant, CEO NITI Aayog to discuss disbursement of subsidy directly to the farmer's bank account. The list of participants is given at the **Annexure**.

2. At the outset Dr. Yogesh Suri, Adviser (G&R), NITI Aayog welcomed the participants. He informed that the Standing Committee on Chemicals & Fertilizers 2016-17 in its 36th Action Taken Report had emphasized that while implementing DBT, subsidy should be disbursed directly to the farmer's bank account. Accordingly, the Department of Fertilizers had requested that given the complex nature of DBT in fertilizers, a Committee or Joint Working Group may be constituted in NITI Aayog, to examine objectively the various issues raised by the Standing Committee and suggest a model for direct transfer of subsidy to the beneficiaries account in fertilizers. Subsequently, NITI Aayog had conveyed that the Committee on DBT in Fertilizers constituted by PMO may also examine the issue of direct disbursement of fertilizer subsidy to farmer's bank account. In the above context the meeting of Committee on DBT in Fertilizers has been convened.

3. Presentation by Department of Fertilizers:

3.1 Thereafter, Shri Dharam Pal, Additional Secretary, Department of Fertilizers (DoF) made a detailed presentation on present status of DBT in fertilizers. The salient points of the presentation are as below:

- a. All 16 districts were taken up together for Pilot implementation. Pilot in 14 district was completed by 31.3.2017. Pilot in newly added three districts (Begusarai, Dhanbad and Gorakhpur) was completed in August 2017. It was mentioned that sale in pilot districts has been consistently lower than previous year's sale, barring for the month of June, 2017, where pre-GST sales seems to have taken place in large quantity.
- b. Deployment of PoS devices has been completed up to 80% while 95% PoS devices have been received against the order placed. PoS deployment has been completed fully in 22 States & UTs and completed partially in rest 9 States.
- c. Pan India DBT rollout is in progress. DBT has been rolled out in 19 States & UTs. It has been to planned to roll out DBT in 12 major states starting 1st January 2018.
- d. DBT PMU is operational at DoF Headquarters. 24 State DBT Co-ordinators and 12 District Co-ordinators have been appointed. About 4,500 training sessions have

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been conducted across country. Bilingual online training videos have been created and all are now available on YouTube. 62 virtual machines / Servers have been deployed to handle DBT system. A 5 member help has been setup, which is being upgraded shortly to a 15 member Multilingual Helpdesk.

- e. Various measures have been taken to deal with the issue of poor network connectivity. Dealers have been advised to choose the network service provider carefully. They have been told to use external antenna to deal with the poor signal strength and ask the service providers to re-orient their antenna if required. PoS supports multiple connectivity options i.e. Wi-Fi, LAN, PSTN etc. In order to avoid stock related issues, dealers have been advised to use Release Order module for fertilizer movement / sale on real time basis.
- f. It was informed that dealers have been demanding for increase in dealer margin which has remained unchanged for a decade or so. It was mentioned that a CCEA proposal is being prepared to increase the dealer margin. Regarding cashless payment, companies have been asked to ensure Bharat/ BHIM Code is displayed at all retail outlets. Transaction time has improved significantly from 10 minutes to 5 minutes.
- g. Regarding the transfer of subsidy to farmer's bank account, currently Phase-I of DBT is in progress and it will be completed by 31st March 2018. Director transfer of subsidy to farmers may be considered in Phase-II, after stabilization of Phase-I. DoF requested NITI Aayog to finalize appropriate model for DBT to be considered for Phase-II.

4. Presentation by M/s Microsave:

4.1 Thereafter, M/s Microsave was requested to present its Independent Assessment Report of the field study done by them. M/s Microsave mentioned that they have surveyed 5,659 farmers and 427 retailers across 14 pilot districts in addition to Government officials and district consultants for their quantitative survey. Besides, qualitative interviews were held with 185 farmers and 138 retailers. The key findings of M/s Microsave are as below:

- a. Transaction experience has improved as Aadhaar authentication strike rate has increased to as high as 97% in three attempts. Fingerprint mismatch and connectivity issues are still there but other technical issues are reducing.
- b. Incidences of manual sale without Aadhaar and adjusted transactions are high @ 21% during peak season compared to 10% in previous round.
- c. Farmer's transaction experience has improved as retailers do not charge more price than mentioned in transaction receipt. 85% farmers received transaction receipt, out of which 98% were charged same amount as mentioned in the receipt. Average transaction time on PoS was 4-5 minutes. On an average farmers are paying higher than MRP, indicating farmers who do not receive transaction receipt may have been overcharged.
- d. Retailers are managing peak season sales by adjusting. 44% retailers complained of difficulty in serving customers during peak season as an average of maximum

65 customers remain present together at any given time on a single day. Retailers do not show inclination to use more than one PoS device as it would require additional manpower. To manage peak season, 66% sold manually, 18% entered multiple transaction under one transaction, 12% refused to sell without PoS.

- e. 59% farmers & 54% retailers prefer new system to earlier method, while 30% farmers and 44% retailers prefer old system.
- f. Unattractive retailer margin along with additional hassle due to GST /PoS may lead to retailer attrition in future. Retailers earn a low net margin of upto Rs.9 per bag of urea. Introduction of MFMS and DBT in fertilizers has reduced avenues for earning through dubious means. Dealer attrition may create white spaces and hence hassle to farmers.
- g. Delay in Release Order module updation delays receipt acknowledgement and compels retailers to adjust transactions. 49% retailers said that stock updation is not immediate after acknowledgement due to server/ PoS issues. 84% retailers said that the stock updates correctly after each transaction.
- h. Retailer readiness-awareness and training efforts are laudable. Farmer communication needs improvement. 93% retailers received training. 90% believed that the training helped them in handling PoS. 85% farmers knew that Aadhaar is necessary to purchase fertilizer.
- i. 32% farmers preferred cashless mode for payment while 49% retailers indicated preference for the same. About 92% transactions are currently through cash. The major reason for 51% retailers not preferring cashless mode as they already work on thin margins of 1-2% and cashless transactions would lead to MDR of 2%, eating away their margins. 72.5% farmers have expressed their reluctance to receive subsidy in their bank accounts as it would lead to payment of Rs.38,400 upfront (for average 32 bags annually) whereas they would receive Rs.28,800 in their bank accounts.
- j. 79% retailers are satisfied with the grievance redressal mechanism as compared to 91% in the last round, which is indicative of compromised efficacy of the informal system. Toll free number does not allow conversation in regional languages and lacks features of an ideal grievance redress mechanism.
- ✓ k. Regarding Soil Health Card only 30% of the respondents were aware about it and only 8.6% respondents actually had soil health card. Only 6.3% of respondent farmers indicated following the recommendation of crop given on Soil Health Card.

4.2 M/s Microsave suggested that the MFMS application should be device agnostic. Since most retailers have desktop, the same may also be put to use to record transactions as well as to authenticate customers. Likewise laptops, tablets and smartphones may also be used. They suggested that dealer margin would need to be revised suitably as many dealers were opting out of the system. There needs to be provision to generate sale receipts in vernacular languages. Regarding operational issues, they suggested that there is a need for dedicated manpower at district level for all live districts and it may be explored whether MFMS (PoS) be linked to *tally* to download daily sales record.

5. Shri Amitabh Kant, CEO, NITI Aayog lauded the efforts by the Department of Fertilizers and requested that the same may be communicated to the entire DBT team. He added that revision in dealer margin was a key to the success of this initiative. He suggested that there are a couple of start-ups which can be engaged by DoF for translation into vernacular languages. The help desk also need to be able to address problems in local languages. To this Shri Dharam Pal, AS, DoF indicated that the Ministry is in the process of strengthening its help desk from 5 to 15 members and efforts would be made to provide responses in vernacular languages to the extent possible.

6. Dr. Arvind Subramanian, Chief Economic Adviser added that spectacular success has been achieved by the DoF in terms of pilot rollout of DBT in fertilizers. He cautioned that few fertilizer companies are complaining about DBT and some numbers are still on the high negative side. He added that high number of manual transactions are on a high side which needs to be addressed. He expressed concern about the unsatisfactory observations regarding Soil Health Cards. He also requested Microsave to share the unit level data and added that this might be considered for inclusion in the forthcoming Economic Survey of the Ministry of Finance.

7. Shri Anurag Jain, JS, PMO indicated that the findings regarding Soil Health Cards are worrisome and need to be shared with the Ministry of Agriculture. He suggested that it would be prudent to let the current system stabilize for at least six months and then a view is taken to move towards next phase of direct transfer of subsidy in farmer's bank accounts. Shri Peeyush Kumar, JS, Cabinet Secretariat indicated that it would be desirable to work out the subsidy savings made due to reduced offtake following introduction of DBT pilot.

8. After deliberations, the following decisions were taken:

- i) Department of Fertilizers to expedite the process of adequate margin for the dealers .
- ii) Department of Fertilizers to carefully monitor the roll out of DBT in major States next month and make course correction wherever required.
- iii) M/s Microsave to provide list of key recommendations to the Department of Fertilizers and NITI Aayog followed by the complete report of the Evaluation Study.
- iv) Department of Fertilizers to examine the findings of the evaluation study and take appropriate action including examining whether transactions can be recorded in desktop PCs and other devices.
- v) The Phase-II of DBT in fertilizers i.e. transfer of subsidy to farmer's bank accounts to be taken up only after Phase-I is fully implemented and stabilized. Accordingly, a view on setting up of the Committee to examine the issue of direct transfer of subsidy to farmer's bank account may be taken up only after March 2018.

- / vi) Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers' Welfare to study the observations and recommendations regarding Soil Health Cards and tak. appropriate action.

The Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair and the participants.

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PI find enclosed a copy of the powerpoint presentation made by the representatives of Microsave on evaluation of DBT pilot project for fertilizers in select districts for kind information. This presentation was made at the meeting of the Committee chaired by CEO NITI Aayog on March 2, 2017.

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Methodology

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Retailer - 31
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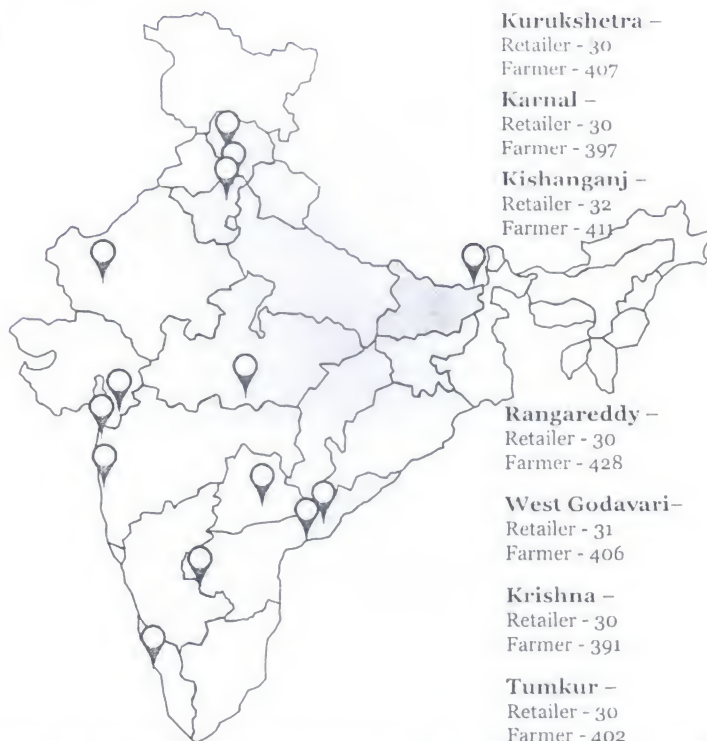
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Retailer - 30
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MicroSave undertook mixed method research - quantitative and qualitative surveys

Across
14 live districts
during July to September 17

The team interacted with a range of stakeholders including farmers, retailers, and district administration officials.

Quantitative Survey	Qualitative Interviews
5,659 Farmers	185 Farmers
427 Retailers	138 Retailers

in addition to government officials and district consultants.

Note: Blocks and retailers conducting manual sales without PoS transactions were not covered under our surveys.

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Key Messages

- Transaction experience has improved for farmers as authentication success rates have increased, but peak season posed challenges.
- DBT team's implementation efforts are worth an applause. GRM needs to be strengthened before national roll-out.
- Squeezed margin and increased operating hassles may cause increase in dealer attrition leading to white spaces in fertiliser distribution.
- Delay in release order (RO) module and stock acknowledgement are leading to manual sale and adjusted transactions.
- Anecdotal evidences suggest that DBT implementation is yielding positive impact. Still, shifting to complete cash transfers to farmers is a distant possibility

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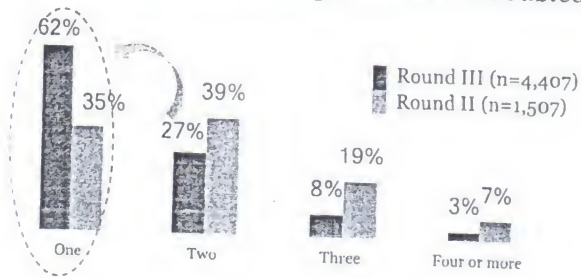


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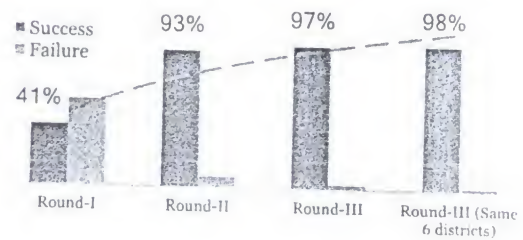
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Transaction experience has improved as Aadhaar authentication strike rate has increased

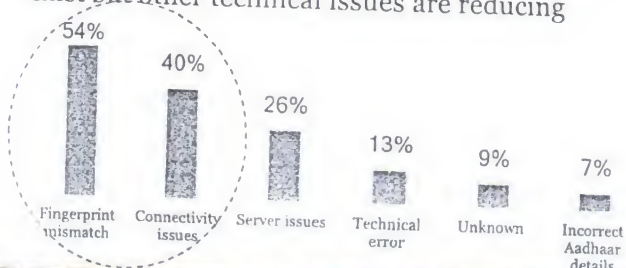
Authentication in first attempt has almost doubled



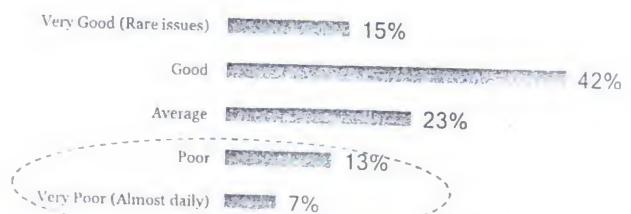
Authentication in three attempts is consistently improving



Fingerprint mismatch and connectivity issues still exist but other technical issues are reducing

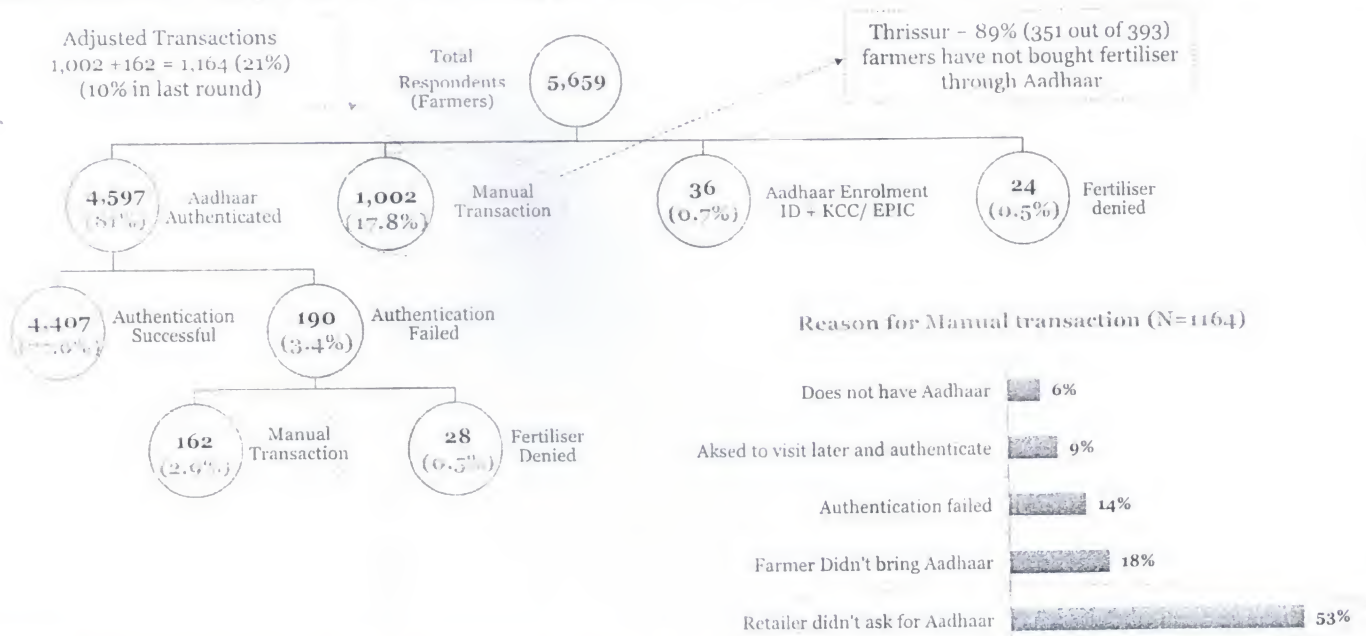


20% of the retailers face network issues (n=427)



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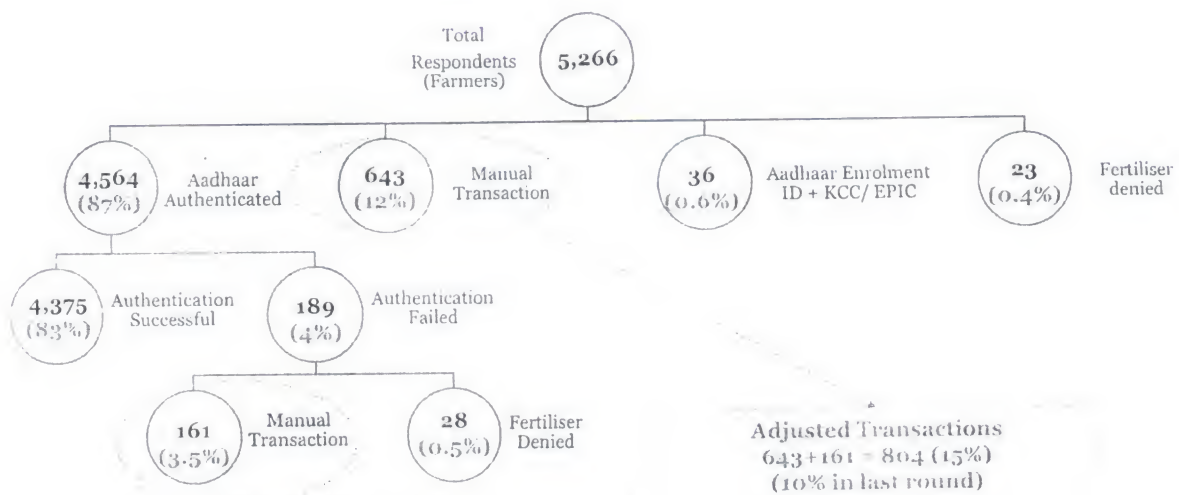
As highlighted in last round, incidences of manual sale without Aadhaar and adjusted transactions are **high at 21%** during peak season compared to 10% in last round.



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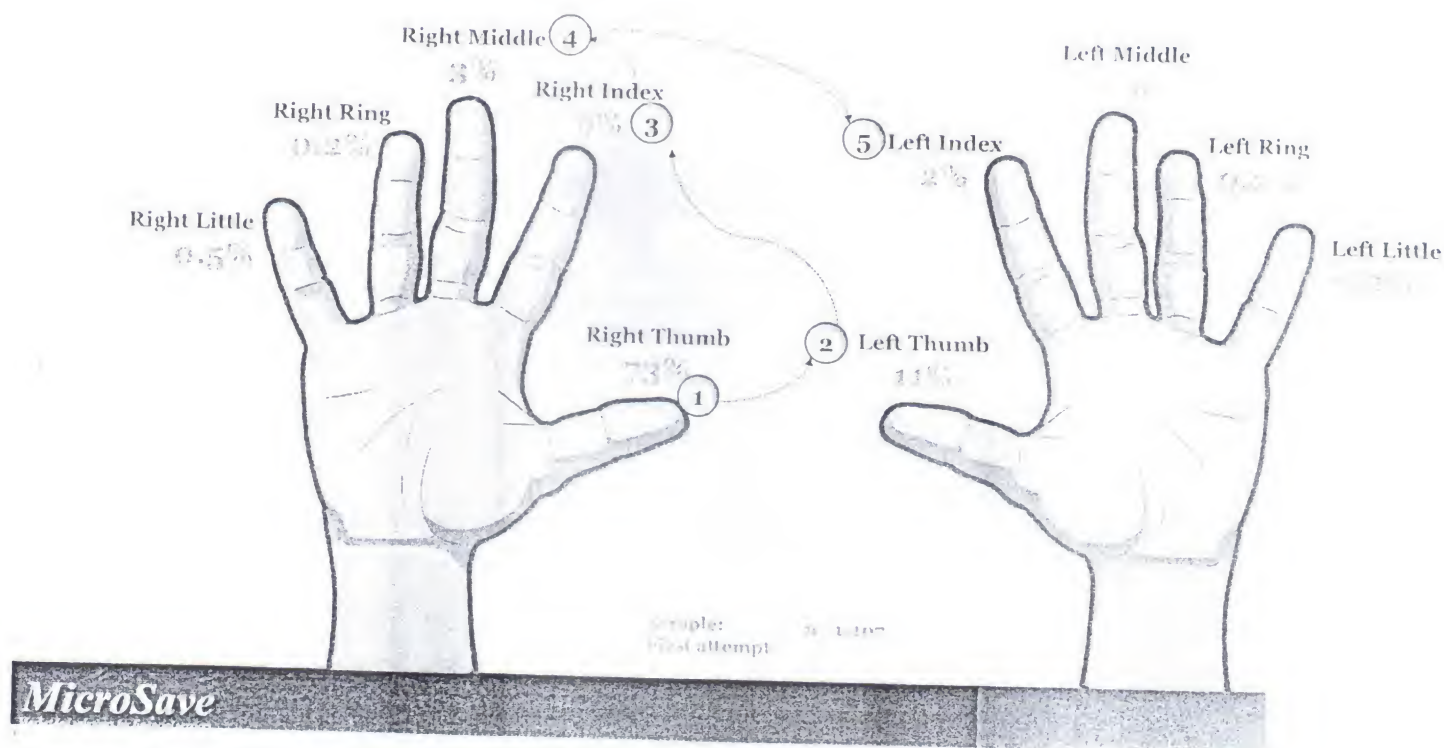
Transaction status-Excluding Thrissur adjusted transactions are at 15% vis-à-vis 10% in last round



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Most people tend to use right thumb for first attempt



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Farmers' transaction experience has improved as retailers do not charge more price than mentioned in transaction receipts



Farmers (4,398) received transaction receipt
(out of those who purchased fertiliser, n=5191)



Farmers (4,308) were charged the same
amount as mentioned in the receipt (out
of those who received transaction receipt,
n=4,398)

Transaction
Experience

4-5
min.

Average transaction time on PoS
(similar to last round in 6 districts)



Average Aadhaar authentication
attempts for retailer to log-in

- Average price paid by farmers is INR 305, which is higher than the MRP indicating farmers who do not receive transaction receipts may be overcharged
- In Kishanganj district average price paid per bag of urea is INR 398. This is mostly due to diversion of urea from Kishanganj to Bangladesh and Nepal, where it is sold at INR 700-800 per bag.

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Transaction time
Start Time - Once the retailer begins to input farmer's Aadhaar number into the PoS
End Time - Once transaction receipt is printed by the PoS

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Peak Season Sales – As expected, retailers manage peak season sales by adjusting transaction.

44% retailers complained of difficulty in serving customers during peak season as an average of maximum 65 customers remain present together at any given time on a single day.

However, they managed the sales by adjusting transactions through various means

Adjusted transactions have increased to 21% as compared to 10% in the last round.

Moreover, retailers are using an average 1 PoS to manage sales. They do not show inclination to use more than 1 PoS as it would require additional manpower. Moreover, they can adjust transaction easily.



Ways to manage sales during peak season (n=189)

"Bheed me manual de dete hain, baad me adjust kar dete hain (I sell manually if the shop is crowded and adjust transactions later -Retailer, Raigarh)

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Adjusted transactions – MFMS data

Sale to Farmer Through POS

12/01/16

To Date: 10/10/2017

RetailerName	InvoiceDate	Buyer AadharNo	Owner AadharNo	BuyerName	CompanyName	PlantName	ProductName	Quantity	Unit Name	Price	Total Amount
Agarwal Traders	2017-01-02	*****2059	*****0095	Harshit Agrawal	CIL	CIL Import	Imported Urea	7.00	50 Kg Bag	300.0	2100.00
Agarwal Traders	2017-01-02	*****2059	*****0099	Harshit Agrawal	FPL	FPL	Imported Urea	160.00	50 Kg Bag	300.0	48000.00
Agarwal Traders	2017-01-02	*****2059	*****0095	Harshit Agrawal	MOSAIC	MOSAIC	Imported DAP	9.00	50 Kg Bag	1100.0	9900.00
Agarwal Traders	2017-01-02	*****2059	*****0099	Harshit Agrawal	NFCL	NFCL Import	Imported Urea	20.00	50 Kg Bag	300.0	6000.00
Agarwal Traders	2017-07-21	*****6266	*****6266	Ramgopal Mina	SFC-MBAgro	SFC-MBAgro	SSP-Zincated(Powder)	220.00	50 Kg Bag	270.0	59400.00
Agarwal Traders	2017-07-21	*****6206	*****6206	Ramgopal Mina	SFC-MBPhosJhabua	SFC-MBPhosJhabua	SSP-Zincated(Powder)	820.00	50 Kg Bag	270.0	221400.00
Vijaya Farm Agrochem Pvt. Ltd.	2017-09-27	*****6516	*****6516	Ajay Kumar	CFCL	CFCL Gadepani-II	CFCL Gadepani-II Urea	999.00	50 Kg Bag	285.0	284715.00
Vijaya Farm Agrochem Pvt. Ltd.	2017-09-27	*****6516	*****6516	Ajay Kumar	FPL	FPL	Imported DAP	999.00	50 Kg Bag	1050.0	1048950.00
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Vijaya Farm Agrochem Pvt. Ltd.	2017-09-27	*****6516	*****6516	Ajay Kumar	FPL	FPL	MOP	999.00	50 Kg Bag	530.0	529470.00

1. Same person purchased 1,043 (422 urea, 467 DAP, and 154 SSP) bags of fertiliser between January, 2017 and July 2017. Also, seems that the person owns the fertiliser shop. (Snapshot for January only)

2. On same date, the person purchased 1,040 bags of SSP. The person purchased total 1,510 bags of fertiliser between January, 2017 and July 2017.

3. Retailer in Karnal, selling 3,387 bags of fertiliser per invoice

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IMPACT OF DBT

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59% farmers & 54% retailers prefer new system to earlier method; However...

 **30% Farmers** Prefer the old system of fertiliser distribution. Remaining 11% farmers are indifferent towards both the systems

 **44% Retailers** Do not prefer the new PoS based system whereas only 2% retailers are indifferent towards both the systems

Why Farmers & Retailers prefer DBT in fertiliser?

Farmer (n=3,088)

- Track actual buyer (72%)
- Reduce black market and diversion (64%)
- Availability of fertiliser has improved (25%)
- Overcharging has reduced (21%)
- Aware about the quantity and price of fertiliser purchased (17%)

Retailer (n=229)

- Improves real time record keeping (92%)
- Identify buyers properly (50%)
- Reduce diversion of urea (40%)
- To ease paper work and record keeping (44%)

Why Farmers & Retailers don't prefer DBT in fertiliser?

Farmer (n=1,594)

- Finger print does not work (79%)
- Connectivity/ server issues (77%)
- Increased transaction time (62%)
- Increased waiting time (55%)
- Don't like to carry Aadhaar all the time (32%)

Retailer (n=189)

- High transaction time (79%)
- Documents required (44%)
- Connectivity issues (56%)

Unattractive retailer margin along with additional hassle due to GST/ PoS may lead to retailer attrition in future

"We don't want to become bankrupt by selling urea. We get profits from other products such as pesticides" –
Retailer Thrissur

- Retailers earn a low net margin in the range of INR 0 – INR 9 (approximately) per bag of urea
- Introduction of MFMS and DBT in fertiliser has reduced avenues for earnings through dubious means
- Further, introduction of PoS has added hassle for retailers
- "Labour charges k baad kuch margin nahi bachta" – retailer Hoshangabad
- PoS does not generate receipt with GST. It has final MRP only. Retailers manually calculate the GST on fertiliser and provide additional (manual) receipt for farmers. This has led to additional burden of record management
- In such case, the transaction receipt is of no use

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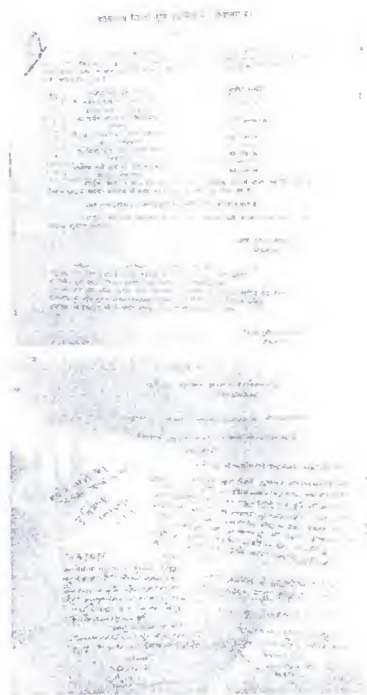
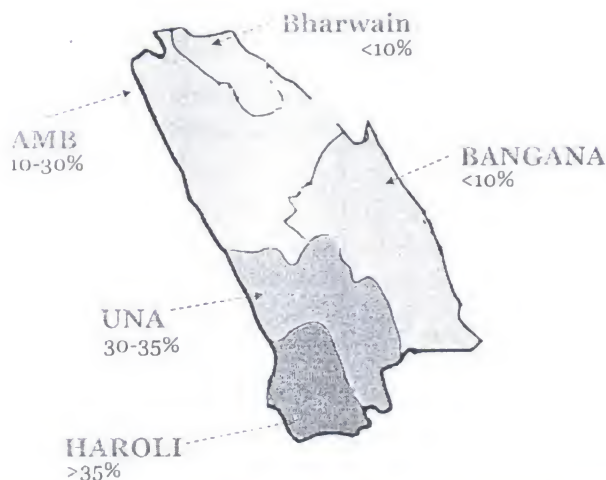


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Dealer attrition may create white spaces and hence hassle to framers

A reference map of UNA based on data collected during research

% based on total attrition in Una District



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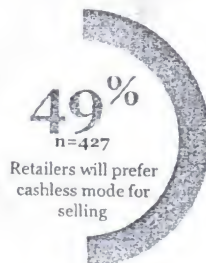
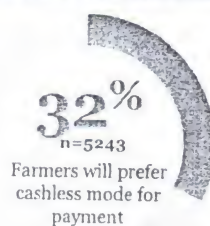


A CASE FOR COMPLETE DBT IN FERTILISER

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Cashless fertiliser distribution gets mixed response from farmers and retailers

Preference for buying/ selling cashless



"Bihar ka banking system to pata hi hai aap ko!" (You are aware of Bihar's banking system)

– Retailer Kishanganj

How Farmer's paid for fertilizer



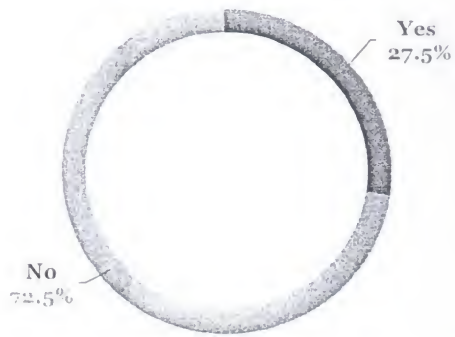
But there are some concerns from retailers:

- 81% of retailers (out of 51% (217) who do not prefer cashless mode) pointed farmer's inability to pay in cash less mode
- Fertilizer business especially urea yields a profit of 1%-2% and on card transaction MDR fee of ~2% levied by the bank would eat away the slim margin

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Shifting to Direct Cash Transfer Into Farmer's Account- A Distant Possibility

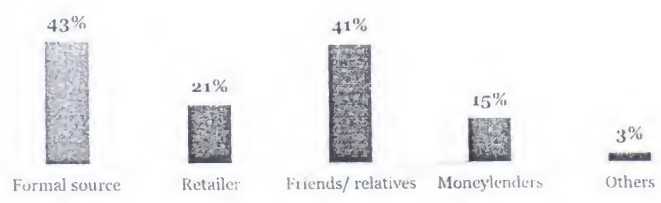
Would to want to receive fertiliser subsidy in bank account?



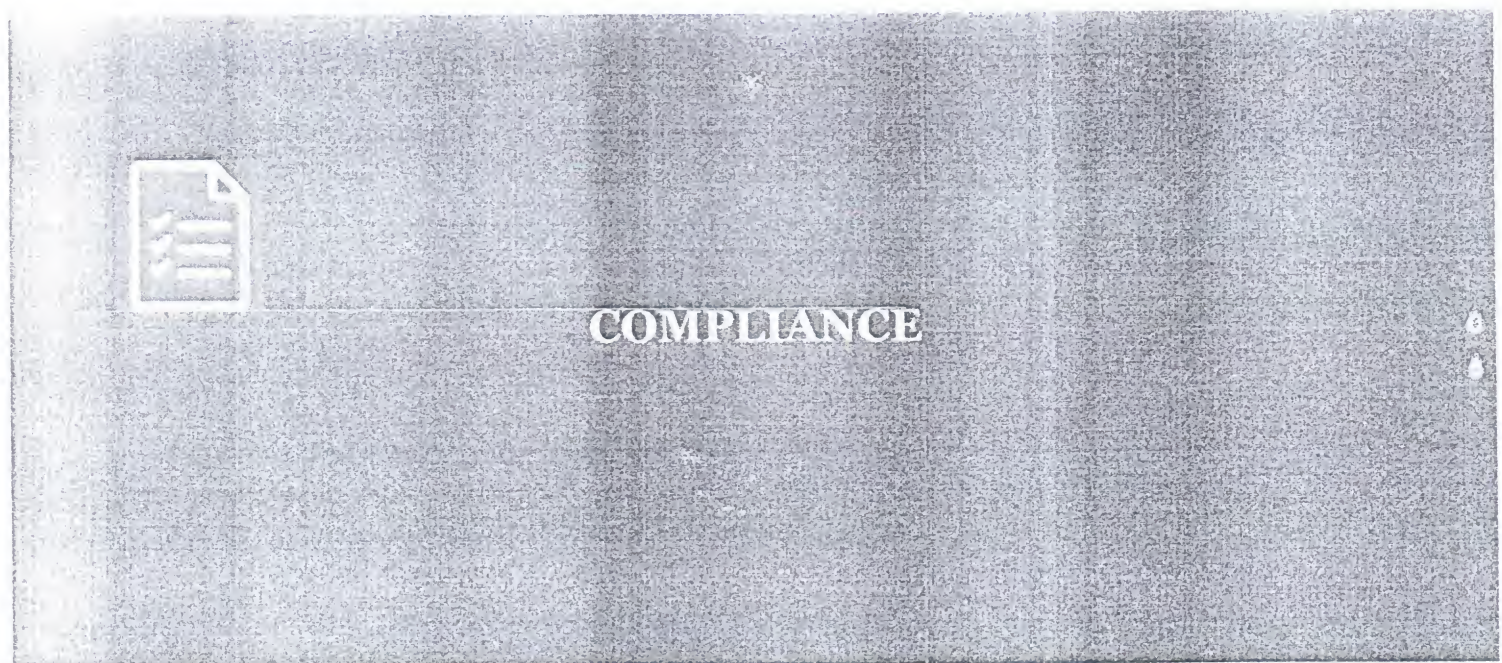
Farmers purchase an average of **32 bags annually**. Assuming a cost of **INR 1200**, farmers would pay **INR 38,400** upfront and receive **INR 28,800** into the bank account.

- 24%** Farmers borrowed an average of **INR 51,933** in last six months for agriculture (n=5,243)
- 92%** Farmers purchased on cash and only **7%** on credit (n=5,191)
- 14%** Is the average annual interest rate that farmer borrowed at (n=1,251)

Borrowings source for farmers (n=1251)



Shifting to DBT in real sense may push farmers to borrow more from informal sources



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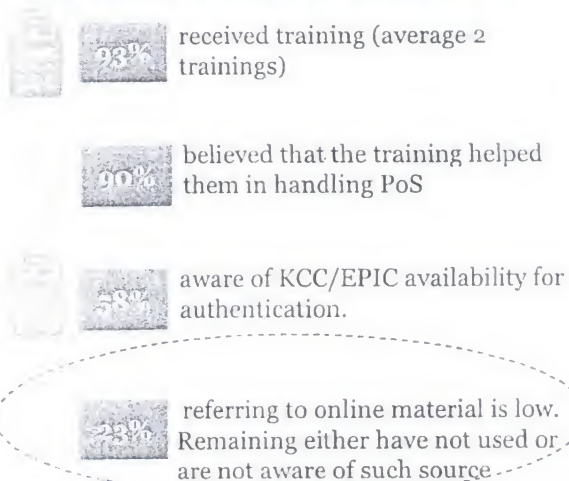


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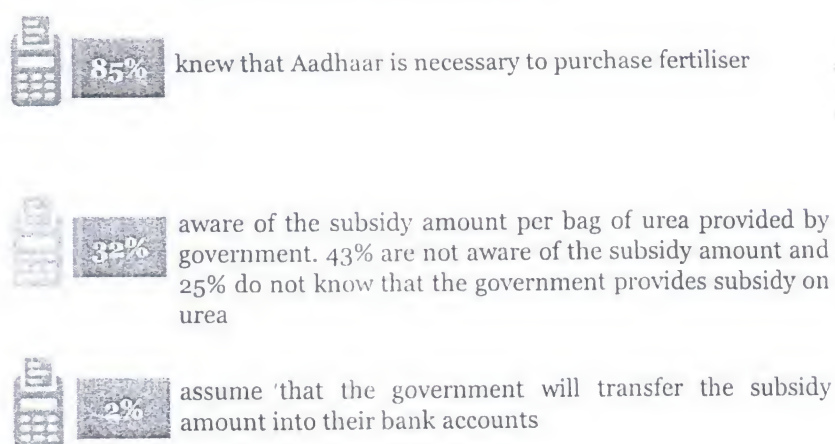
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Retailer readiness – awareness and training efforts are laudable Farmers communication - needs to improve

Retailers' Training and Awareness



Farmer Communication and Awareness

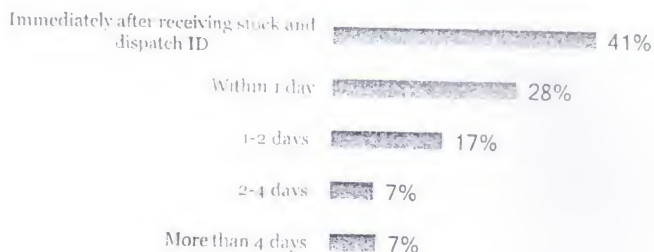


Rumours

- Plan to estimate land of the farmers to either tax them or cease their landholdings by deciding a ceiling on land size
- Farmers will have to buy fertiliser at non-subsidized price and the government will transfer the differential into their bank accounts
- Farmers are afraid to submit Aadhaar as they fear government may cease their land and cancel their BPL status

Delay in RO module updation delays receipt acknowledgement and compels retailers to adjust transactions

Dispatch ID Acknowledgement in RO Module (n = 427)



Retailers said that stock updation is not immediate after acknowledgement due to server/PoS issues

Retailers said that the stock updates correctly after each transaction.



Receipt acknowledgement is delayed due to:

- Delay in updation of RO module at wholesaler, warehouse, and/ or rake point level
- Retailers still receive hand made challan and do not receive printed challan with dispatch ID. They confirm the dispatch ID over phone
- Retailers receiving physical stock before dispatch ID
- Lack of IT infrastructure at the rake point
- Lack of training on RO module

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Compliance

Hand made challan

"Acknowledgment 3 din baad aata hai, usse pehle machine me nai dikhta, 3 din me to gadi bech dete hain (I receive acknowledgement after delay of up to 3 days. By the time acknowledgement is received, I sold the physical stock)

-Retailer, Raigarh

Company ka acknowledgement receipt jaldi nahi aata, dispatch ID bhi phone pe galat de dete hain, 2 din baad milta hai aur fir hum acknowledge karte hain" (I do not receive acknowledgement receipt on time and receive wrong dispatch ID over phone)

- Retailer Raigarh

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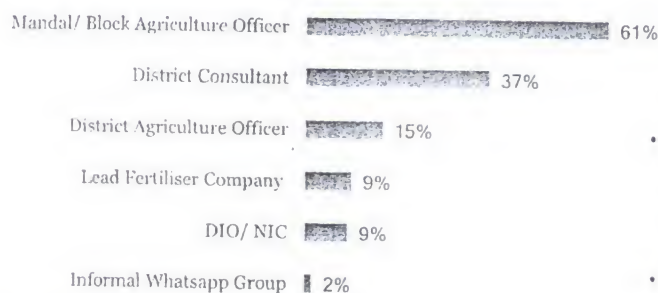


GRIEVANCE REDRESS MECHANISM (GRM)

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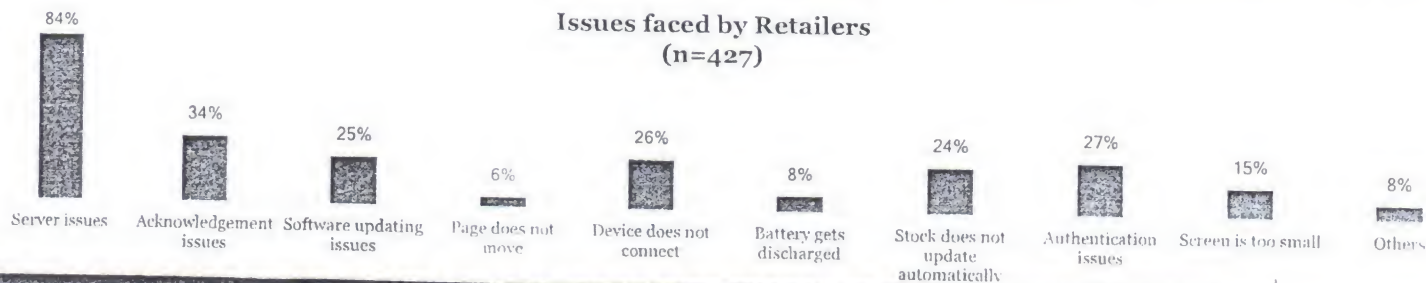
79% retailers are satisfied with grievance redressal mechanism as compared to 91% in the last round

**Source for GRM
(n=427)**



- Informal platforms like WhatsApp and emails have yielded a 92% satisfaction rate from the 6 pilot districts in the last round. However, latest data from all 16 districts revealed a 79% satisfaction which is indicative of compromised efficacy of the informal system. Interestingly the 6 original districts still report a 91% satisfaction rate
- District consultants are given responsibility of more than one district while bringing new districts into DBT mode. Manpower shortage can adversely impact the GRM as district consultants are major source for GRM
- The government has launched "toll free no., however it has limitations

**Issues faced by Retailers
(n=427)**



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Toll free number does not allow conversation in regional languages and lacks features of an ideal grievance redress mechanism

Toll Free Number for grievance redressal

- Department of Fertilisers recently launched a “toll free number – 1800115501” for retailers
- Allows conversation only in two languages i.e. Hindi and English; should also enable conversation in regional languages
- It should also have following features -



RECOMMENDATIONS AND ACTIONABLE SOLUTIONS

Recommendations – Policy level

Issues



Hardware issues (PoS)

- Screen is too small - have to scroll left-right or up-down to enter sales data; Battery life is shortening
- Maintenance and repair services not available easily



Grievance redressal system

- Informal system will not work at national level
- Recently launched 'toll free no' has limitations



Retailer margin is unattractive

- Retailer earn net margin of INR 0 – 4 per bag of urea



Possible attrition of retailers in near future

- Retailer may leave the system due to increased hassles and unattractive margin
- This would have a greater impact when DBT is launched in more districts or across states



Authentication failure

- Time taken in authentication (especially more than one attempt) and authentication failure leads to adjusted transaction

Suggestions to Streamline Operations

- MFMS application should be **device agnostic**. Web and app based application can be launched. Retailers can use desktops, laptops, tablets, and smart phones to run the application
- The GRM should have features of an ideal GRM system
- Retailers' margin on urea bags to be increased. The government has plans to do so. However, the impact would be seen after increased margins are provided
- Government should issue new licenses so that availability and supply is not affected
- Operating instructions based on fingerprint strike rate
- Should install IRIS scanner at retailer shops

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Recommendations – Software issues

Issues



Doubling of stock

- 'Initial stock not declared' – initial stock not updated as zero at the time of 'go live'
- Same stock received through RO module and module prior to RO module



Sales receipt

- Sales receipt is in English
- Font size on the sales receipt is not easily readable
- Text does not fit properly on the receipt



Difference in PoS and server time

- Due to time difference between actual time in PoS and server time retailers are unable to operate the device



Report printing through PoS

- Does not print reports for more than one month
- Prints only 10 transactions while printing duplicate bills

Suggestions to Streamline Operations

- Proper reporting of initial stock and communication to update initial stock as zero for all the fertiliser products available in PoS
- Course correction with the help of DC and NIC
- Sales receipt should be generated in vernacular languages also.
- Menu option to sync PoS time with server time
- Should allow printing old reports also
- Making the system device agnostic can help
- Retailers can print the report from MFMS site

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Recommendations – Operational Issues

Suggestions to Streamline Operations

Manpower shortage

- Districts, especially new districts do not have manpower (district consultant) to monitor implementation.

- Dedicated manpower at district level for all live districts, at least during initial phase of the project

Increased record keeping burden

- Retailers have to operate two system i.e. ERPs and PoS
- Print on transaction receipts fade away and not suitable for record keeping

- MFMS (PoS) can be linked with tally/ ERPs to download daily sales record in a tally/ ERPs
- “agar ye machine computer pe link ho jaye to achha hao, usse hum hisab nikal sakenge”

– Retailer Raigarh

Delay in RO module updation

- Delay in RO module updation also delays receipt acknowledgement

- Allow the stock on the POS to go negative to some extent (time and quantity) so that sales can continue
- PoS devices should be used at rake points, wholesaler, and warehouse level to update stock
- Dispatch ID as notification should appear in PoS
- Send Dispatch ID through SMS

Retailers with same name

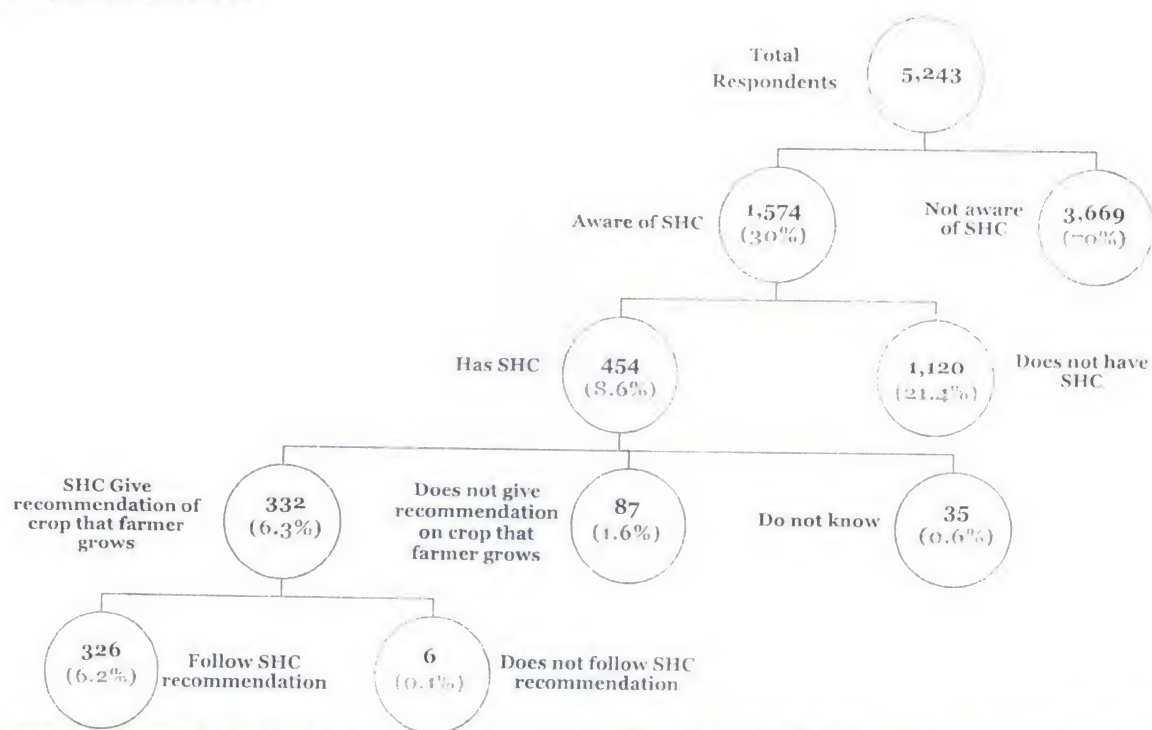
- Stock being sent to wrong retailer, in case more than 1 retailer exist with same name.
- Wholesaler selecting wrong retailer by selecting another retailer with same name while forwarding stock

- Double check option with retailer ID while dispatching stock through MFMS

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Soil Health Card

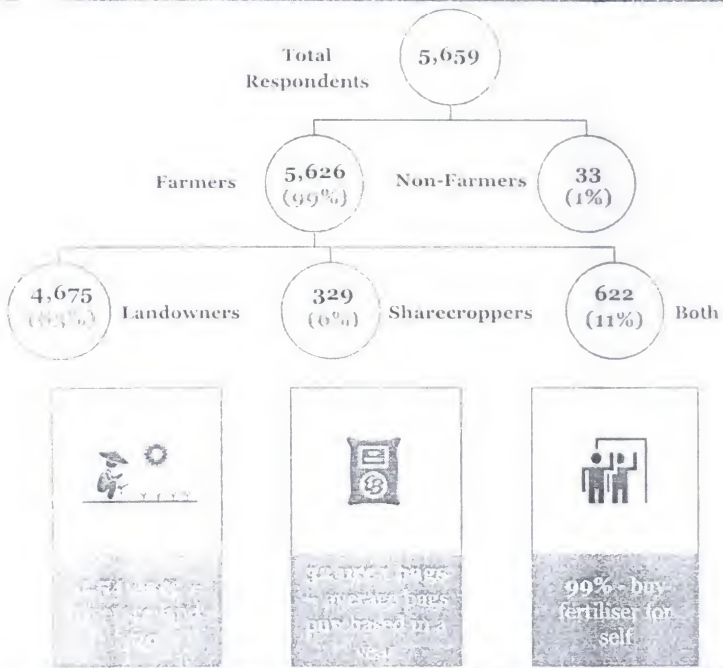


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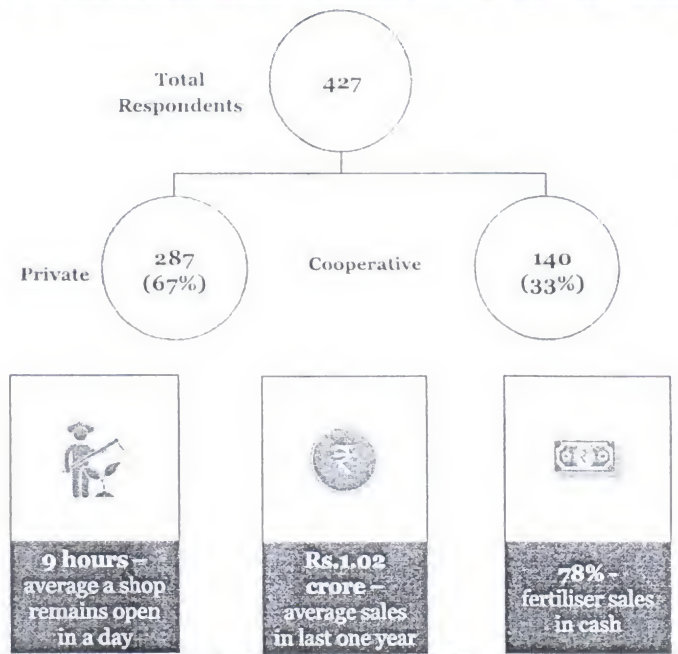


RESPONDENT PROFILE

Respondent Profile



Retailer Profile



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Sansad Marg, New Delhi
Dated: 26th December, 2017

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of the meeting of the Committee on DBT in Fertilizers- reg. Disbursement of subsidy directly to the farmer's bank account

The undersigned is directed to refer to the above subject and to forward herewith a copy of approved minutes of the meeting, of the Committee on DBT in Fertilizers, held in NITI Aayog on 13.12.2017, for information and perusal.


(Neeraj Singhal)
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Tel: 23096742

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 6. Shri Rajiv Ranjan, Joint Secretary (Expenditure), Ministry of Finance
 7. Shri P K Tiwari, Joint Secretary, Department of Food and Public Distribution
 8. Shri H S Meena, Joint Secretary, Department of Land Resources
 9. Ms. A. Neeraja, Joint Secretary, Deptt of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmer's Welfare
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Subject: Minutes of the meeting of the Committee on DBT in Fertilizers held on 13th December 2017 at 5.00 pm in room no. 134 NITI Aayog under the Chairmanship of Sh. Amitabh Kant, CEO NITI Aayog to discuss disbursement of subsidy directly to the farmer's bank account

A meeting of the Committee on DBT in Fertilizers was held on 13th December 2017 at 5.00 pm in room no. 134 NITI Aayog under the Chairmanship of Shri Amitabh Kant, CEO NITI Aayog to discuss disbursement of subsidy directly to the farmer's bank account. The list of participants is given at the **Annexure**.

2. At the outset Dr. Yogesh Suri, Adviser (G&R), NITI Aayog welcomed the participants. He informed that the Standing Committee on Chemicals & Fertilizers 2016-17 in its 36th Action Taken Report had emphasized that while implementing DBT, subsidy should be disbursed directly to the farmer's bank account. Accordingly, the Department of Fertilizers had requested that given the complex nature of DBT in fertilizers, a Committee or Joint Working Group may be constituted in NITI Aayog, to examine objectively the various issues raised by the Standing Committee and suggest a model for direct transfer of subsidy to the beneficiaries account in fertilizers. Subsequently, NITI Aayog had conveyed that the Committee on DBT in Fertilizers constituted by PMO may also examine the issue of direct disbursement of fertilizer subsidy to farmer's bank account. In the above context the meeting of Committee on DBT in Fertilizers has been convened.

3. Presentation by Department of Fertilizers:

3.1 Thereafter, Shri Dharam Pal, Additional Secretary, Department of Fertilizers (DoF) made a detailed presentation on present status of DBT in fertilizers. The salient points of the presentation are as below:

- a. All 16 districts were taken up together for Pilot implementation. Pilot in 14 district was completed by 31.3.2017. Pilot in newly added three districts (Begusarai, Dhanbad and Gorakhpur) was completed in August 2017. It was mentioned that sale in pilot districts has been consistently lower than previous year's sale, barring for the month of June, 2017, where pre-GST sales seems to have taken place in large quantity.
- b. Deployment of PoS devices has been completed up to 80% while 95% PoS devices have been received against the order placed. PoS deployment has been completed fully in 22 States & UTs and completed partially in rest 9 States.
- c. Pan India DBT rollout is in progress. DBT has been rolled out in 19 States & UTs. It has been to planned to roll out DBT in 12 major states starting 1st January 2018.
- d. DBT PMU is operational at DoF Headquarters. 24 State DBT Co-ordinators and 12 District Co-ordinators have been appointed. About 4,500 training sessions have

been conducted across country. Bilingual online training videos have been created and all are now available on YouTube. 62 virtual machines / Servers have been deployed to handle DBT system. A 5 member help has been setup, which is being upgraded shortly to a 15 member Multilingual Helpdesk.

- e. Various measures have been taken to deal with the issue of poor network connectivity. Dealers have been advised to choose the network service provider carefully. They have been told to use external antenna to deal with the poor signal strength and ask the service providers to re-orient their antenna if required. PoS supports multiple connectivity options i.e. Wi-Fi, LAN, PSTN etc. In order to avoid stock related issues, dealers have been advised to use Release Order module for fertilizer movement / sale on real time basis.
- f. It was informed that dealers have been demanding for increase in dealer margin which has remained unchanged for a decade or so. It was mentioned that a CCEA proposal is being prepared to increase the dealer margin. Regarding cashless payment, companies have been asked to ensure Bharat/ BHIM Code is displayed at all retail outlets. Transaction time has improved significantly from 10 minutes to 5 minutes.
- g. Regarding the transfer of subsidy to farmer's bank account, currently Phase-I of DBT is in progress and it will be completed by 31st March 2018. Director transfer of subsidy to farmers may be considered in Phase-II, after stabilization of Phase-I. DoF requested NITI Aayog to finalize appropriate model for DBT to be considered for Phase-II.

4. **Presentation by M/s Microsave:**

4.1 Thereafter, M/s Microsave was requested to present its Independent Assessment Report of the field study done by them. M/s Microsave mentioned that they have surveyed 5,659 farmers and 427 retailers across 14 pilot districts in addition to Government officials and district consultants for their quantitative survey. Besides, qualitative interviews were held with 185 farmers and 138 retailers. The key findings of M/s Microsave are as below:

- a. Transaction experience has improved as Aadhaar authentication strike rate has increased to as high as 97% in three attempts. Fingerprint mismatch and connectivity issues are still there but other technical issues are reducing.
- b. Incidences of manual sale without Aadhaar and adjusted transactions are high @ 21% during peak season compared to 10% in previous round.
- c. Farmer's transaction experience has improved as retailers do not charge more price than mentioned in transaction receipt. 85% farmers received transaction receipt, out of which 98% were charged same amount as mentioned in the receipt. Average transaction time on PoS was 4-5 minutes. On an average farmers are paying higher than MRP, indicating farmers who do not receive transaction receipt may have been overcharged.
- d. Retailers are managing peak season sales by adjusting. 44% retailers complained of difficulty in serving customers during peak season as an average of maximum

65 customers remain present together at any given time on a single day. Retailers do not show inclination to use more than one PoS device as it would require additional manpower. To manage peak season, 66% sold manually, 18% entered multiple transaction under one transaction, 12% refused to sell without PoS.

- e. 59% farmers & 54% retailers prefer new system to earlier method, while 30% farmers and 44% retailers prefer old system.
- f. Unattractive retailer margin along with additional hassle due to GST /PoS may lead to retailer attrition in future. Retailers earn a low net margin of upto Rs.9 per bag of urea. Introduction of MFMS and DBT in fertilizers has reduced avenues for earning through dubious means. Dealer attrition may create white spaces and hence hassle to farmers.
- g. Delay in Release Order module updation delays receipt acknowledgement and compels retailers to adjust transactions. 49% retailers said that stock updation is not immediate after acknowledgement due to server/ PoS issues. 84% retailers said that the stock updates correctly after each transaction.
- h. Retailer readiness-awareness and training efforts are laudable. Farmer communication needs improvement. 93% retailers received training. 90% believed that the training helped them in handling PoS. 85% farmers knew that Aadhaar is necessary to purchase fertilizer.
- i. 32% farmers preferred cashless mode for payment while 49% retailers indicated preference for the same. About 92% transactions are currently through cash. The major reason for 51% retailers not preferring cashless mode as they already work on thin margins of 1-2% and cashless transactions would lead to MDR of 2%, eating away their margins. 72.5% farmers have expressed their reluctance to receive subsidy in their bank accounts as it would lead to payment of Rs.38,400 upfront (for average 32 bags annually) whereas they would receive Rs.28,800 in their bank accounts.
- j. 79% retailers are satisfied with the grievance redressal mechanism as compared to 91% in the last round, which is indicative of compromised efficacy of the informal system. Toll free number does not allow conversation in regional languages and lacks features of an ideal grievance redress mechanism.
- k. Regarding Soil Health Card only 30% of the respondents were aware about it and only 8.6% respondents actually had soil health card. Only 6.3% of respondent farmers indicated following the recommendation of crop given on Soil Health Card.

4.2 M/s Microsave suggested that the MFMS application should be device agnostic. Since most retailers have desktop, the same may also be put to use to record transactions as well as to authenticate customers. Likewise laptops, tablets and smartphones may also be used. They suggested that dealer margin would need to be revised suitably as many dealers were opting out of the system. There needs to be provision to generate sale receipts in vernacular languages. Regarding operational issues, they suggested that there is a need for dedicated manpower at district level for all live districts and it may be explored whether MFMS (PoS) be linked to tally to download daily sales record.

5. Shri Amitabh Kant, CEO, NITI Aayog lauded the efforts by the Department of Fertilizers and requested that the same may be communicated to the entire DBT team. He added that revision in dealer margin was a key to the success of this initiative. He suggested that there are a couple of start-ups which can be engaged by DoF for translation into vernacular languages. The help desk also need to be able to address problems in local languages. To this Shri Dharam Pal, AS, DoF indicated that the Ministry is in the process of strengthening its help desk from 5 to 15 members and efforts would be made to provide responses in vernacular languages to the extent possible.

6. Dr. Arvind Subramanian, Chief Economic Adviser added that spectacular success has been achieved by the DoF in terms of pilot rollout of DBT in fertilizers. He cautioned that few fertilizer companies are complaining about DBT and some numbers are still on the high negative side. He added that high number of manual transactions are on a high side which needs to be addressed. He expressed concern about the unsatisfactory observations regarding Soil Health Cards. He also requested Microsave to share the unit level data and added that this might be considered for inclusion in the forthcoming Economic Survey of the Ministry of Finance.

7. Shri Anurag Jain, JS, PMO indicated that the findings regarding Soil Health Cards are worrisome and need to be shared with the Ministry of Agriculture. He suggested that it would be prudent to let the current system stabilize for at least six months and then a view is taken to move towards next phase of direct transfer of subsidy in farmer's bank accounts. Shri Peeyush Kumar, JS, Cabinet Secretariat indicated that it would be desirable to work out the subsidy savings made due to reduced offtake following introduction of DBT pilot.

8. After deliberations, the following decisions were taken:

- i) Department of Fertilizers to expedite the process of adequate margin for the dealers.
- ii) Department of Fertilizers to carefully monitor the roll out of DBT in major States next month and make course correction wherever required.
- iii) M/s Microsave to provide list of key recommendations to the Department of Fertilizers and NITI Aayog followed by the complete report of the Evaluation Study.
- iv) Department of Fertilizers to examine the findings of the evaluation study and take appropriate action including examining whether transactions can be recorded in desktop PCs and other devices.
- v) The Phase-II of DBT in fertilizers i.e. transfer of subsidy to farmer's bank accounts to be taken up only after Phase-I is fully implemented and stabilized. Accordingly, a view on setting up of the Committee to examine the issue of direct transfer of subsidy to farmer's bank account may be taken up only after March 2018.

vi) Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers' Welfare to study the observations and recommendations regarding Soil Health Cards and take appropriate action.

The Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair and the participants.

Annexure

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List of Participants

1. Sh. Amitabh Kant, CEO, NITI Aayog - in Chair
2. Ms. Bharathi Sivaswami Sihag, Secretary (Fertilizers)
3. Dr. Arvind Subramanian, Chief Economic Adviser
4. Sh. Dharam Pal, Additional Secretary, Department of Fertilizers
5. Sh. Anurag Jain, Joint Secretary, Prime Minister's Office
6. Dr. Yogesh Suri, Adviser (G&R), NITI Aayog
7. Sh. Peeyush Kumar, Joint Secretary (DBT), Cabinet Secretariat
8. Sh. R. P. Pant, ADG, UIDAI
9. Sh. Chittaranjan Dash, Director (PFC-I), Department of Expenditure
10. Sh. Neeraj Singhal, Director, NITI Aayog
11. Ms. Saroj Jaisia, Deputy Secretary, Department of Land Resources
12. Sh. Desh Gaurav Sekhri, Consultant (G&R), NITI Aayog
13. Sh. Sandeep Shah, UIDAI
14. Sh. Ankush Das, Young Professional, NITI Aayog
15. Ms. Phalasha Nagpal, Young Professional, NITI Aayog

Representatives of M/s Microsave

16. Sh. Manoj Sharma
17. Sh. Mitul Thapalial
18. Sh. Vikram Sharma
19. Sh. Ritesh Rautela

Subject: **Presentation on Soil Health Card**

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Dear Madam

Greetings from *MicroSave*.

As discussed few days back, attached is the presentation on assessment of "DBT in Fertiliser" pilot project in 14 districts, where the pilot was running. This presentation has one slide (no. 33) on awareness, ownership and usage of SHC in these 14 districts. This presentation was done to Niti Aayog on 13th Dec 2017.

Now we have created a detailed presentation on our findings related to SHC in these 14 districts. Attached is the presentation. We will be happy to come over and present it to you.

Looking forward to meeting and presenting it to you.

Thanks and Regards

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Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
(Fert Use Cell/INM Division)

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi
Dated the 11th October, 2018

Meeting Notice

Subject: Meeting on linking of Soil Health Card (SHC) ID number with
Department of Fertilizers DBT software - reg.

The undersigned is directed to state that a meeting on linking of Soil Health Card (SHC) ID number with Department of Fertilizers DBT software is scheduled to be held under the Chairpersonship of Smt. A. Neeraja, Joint Secretary (INM) on **25th October, 2018 (Thursday) at 11:30 A.M. in the chambers of Joint Secretary (INM), Room No. 299 C, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi**

You are requested to make it convenient to participate in the above meeting along with the officer handling your software / portal.

J.P. Chaudhary
(J.P. Chaudhary)
Adviser (SHC)

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- ✓ 2. Dr Kavita Gotru, Director (DBT), Department of Fertilizers, Udhayog Bhavan (Room No. 474).
3. Dr Y.R. Meena, Additional Commissioner (INM), DAC&FW.
4. Mrs Rajni Taneja, Deputy Secretary (INM), DAC&FW.
5. Dr S. P. Singh, Consultant (SHC), DAC&FW.
6. Dr Gajendra Singh, Assistant Development Officer (M), DAC&FW.

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441, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.
Dated the 31st August, 2018.

Subject: Follow -up Action on Fourth Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog held on June 17, 2018 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister at RBCC, NITI Aayog.

The undersigned is directed to enclose a copy of OM No M-12017/01/2018-GCS dated 23rd July, 2018 received from NITI Aayog on the subject noted above.

It is requested to kindly provide comments/status of implementation on the issues to PC Division latest by 17.09.2018.

Encl as above

(M.K.Pathak)

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NITI Aayog
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Sansad Marg, New Delhi-110 001
Dated 23rd July 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Follow-up Action on Fourth Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog held on June, 17, 2018 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister at RBCC, NITI Aayog.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith the list of issues (Annexure) raised by the Chief Ministers during the Fourth Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog held on June 17, 2018. It is requested to kindly provide the comments status of implementation on all these issues by 03 August, 2018 to NITI Aayog.

Enclosure: As above.


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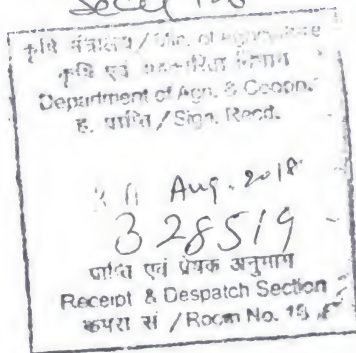
Annexure

Issues raised by CMs in the Fourth Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog dated 17th June, 2018

Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, M/o Agriculture and Farmers Welfare

Sl. No	Name of the States whose CM raised the issue	Issues
1. ACP	1. Andhra Pradesh	Minimum Support Price is not fully operational
2. Credit	2. Andhra Pradesh	Crop Insurance - It is an insurance for the loan and not for crop
3. Policy	3. Andhra Pradesh	Integrate MGNREGA with Agriculture
4. Policy	4. Telangana	Formulation of National Agriculture Policy and dividing the States as per the crop call for increasing the farmer's income
5. Policy	5. Telangana	Linking MGNREGA with Agriculture
6. Policy	6. Himachal Pradesh	Soil Health Card scheme has already been started in entire Himachal Pradesh. The work of all cards distribution has been completed in 2015-16 and 2016-17 and 63% of total targets for 2017 and 2018 to have been achieved. If the information available on Soil Health Card portal is linked with Aadhar and Fertilizer Subsidy portal (which is under DBT), the fertilizer subsidy would be automatically distributed through Soil Health Card.
7. Policy	7. Rajasthan	The Chief Minister highlighted that Rajasthan faces perpetual drought conditions in at least 8 to 10 Districts. The Agriculture Input Subsidy is sanctioned on the basis of agriculture census 2010, which is much less than the actual number of farmers. She requested that the actual number of farmers and affected area should be taken as the basis for sanction. She further requested to increase the maximum limit for Agriculture Input Subsidy from present 2 hectares to 4 hectares. She stated that in Rajasthan though per capita land holding is big, most of the land is unirrigated or infertile.
8. Policy	8. Maharashtra	The Govt. of Maharashtra has requested to provide the guidelines for Agri-Market Infrastructure Fund to the States on a priority basis.
9. Credit	9. Karnataka	Seeking SBC support for farm loan waiver initiative of Govt. of Karnataka
10. Policy	10. Karnataka	Harness national and international expertise to develop comprehensive frameworks, strategies and practices for ushering in a climate resilient agriculture revolution in the country.

11. Policy	11. Kerala	Support to the <u>Association of Agricultural Extension Agents</u> in Kerala and change in norms for relief assistance for densely populated areas in the States and UFs.
12. Policy	12. Kerala	For fixing a support price based on the formula of Dr. M.S. Swaminathan Committee for Rubber and Copra.
13. Crops	13. Arunachal Pradesh	Out of the total 25 lakh hectare agricultural land available in the state only 3.5 lakh is under cultivation because of low population. About 22 lakh hectare agricultural land is not under use. The Central Government should help the State to increase the potential of the State in agriculture sector.
14. Policy	14. Nagaland	For doubling the farmer's income in organic farming, market linkages to the farm products and training to farmers for packaging and preservation of products like flowers, fruits and vegetables needs to be provided. For this, processing centres for the organic produce of the State needs to be established. The Central Government should support the State in this initiative as this will augment their income and help the State in increasing the value chain.
15. Policy	15. Madhya Pradesh	Doubling farmer's income.
16. Cooperation	16. Madhya Pradesh	'Price Differential Payment Scheme' and 'warrant of export' system may be implemented in the State.
17. Crops/ Mktg	17. Madhya Pradesh	What to produce, where and how? How to export? How to meet the country needs? How much we will be able to sell in international Market?
18. Crops/ Horticulture	18. Madhya Pradesh	Model Farms should be developed in the state like only grains and vegetables should not be produced. There are other fruits and vegetables too.
19. Mktg	19. Bihar	a). With E Nam project implementation, the law governing management of market committees has been superseded. How to control is question where you need to work. b). Regarding E Nam project, Agriculture Minister may to revive market committees, Market Management Act which existed in Bihar and which was exploiting farmers and small traders by taxing them. Eleven years back Bihar Government have repealed this law, which is now done by Central Govt. by the project E Nam.
20. Policy	20. Jharkhand	Jharkhand State is committed to comply to doubling the farmer's income by 2022.



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NITI Bhavan, Sansad Marg,
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Dated: 21.8.2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Follow up Action on Fourth Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog held on June 17, 2018 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister-reg.

It is bring your kind notice that Hon'ble Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh raised issues concerning to agriculture especially matter pertains to you needs immediate action. The details are as under:

Himachal Pradesh

Verbatim	Issues	Vertical in NITI Aayog Agriculture
It gives me pleasure that Himachal Pradesh is only State in the country, where all requisite amendments have been carried out in e-NAM under APMC Act, Agriculture Marketing Committee; Solan has been given award by GoI for best infrastructure and natural trading among all hill states. So far as Soil Health Card is concerned, this scheme has already been started in entire Himachal Pradesh in a mode of campaign. The work of all cards distribution has been completed during 2015-16 and 2016-17. We have achieved 63% out of total targets for 2017 and 2018-19. But feel the necessity to work more on this and from that angle, I would like to place my request before Hon'ble PM that fertilizer distribution would be achieved automatically through Soil Health Card, if information available on Portal of Soil Health Card is linked with Aadhaar of the State and Portal of Fertilizer subsidy under DBT scheme. I feel it is an important requirement as on date, which we are all experiencing.	Linking of information available in Soil Health Card portal with Aadhaar and Fertilizer subsidy portal.	-

It is requested to **take necessary action** concerning to your department on the above issue and also **provide comments for preparing Action Taken Report on the above issue at the earliest**. Soft copy may also e-mailed to adviser.agri-pc@gov.in and bgram@gov.in

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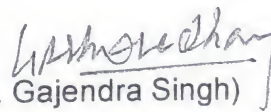
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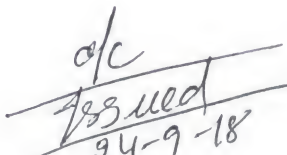
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Please refer to PC Division's OM No. 8-20/2018-PC dated 31st August, 2018 on the subject cited above and to inform that comments/status of implementation on the issue concerned to Fert. Use Cell (INM Division) is enclosed.


(Dr. Gajendra Singh)
Asstt. Dev. Officer (M)

US (PC)
PC Division,
DAC & FW, Krishi Bhawan

Copy to:
Shri J.P. Mishra, Adviser (Agriculture), Agriculture Vertical, NITI Aayog, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110 001 in reference to their O.M. No. 13044/08/2016-Agr dated 21.08.2018.


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Sl. No.	Verbatim	Issues	Vertical in NITI Aayog	Comments/status
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REMINDERMOST IMMEDIATE

F. No. 8-20/2018-PC
 Government of India
 Ministry of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare
 Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare
 (Plan Coordination)

133, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
 Dated: 14th September, 2018

Subject: Follow-up Action on Fourth Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog held on June 17, 2018 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble PM at RBCC, Niti Aayog.

With reference to your letter of even No. dated 31st August, 2018, it is reiterated that the comments/status of implementation on the issues to PC Division have not been received at this end. The same may please be sent as per the list which is enclosed latest by 4:00 P.M. of 17/9/2018 (Monday).

(Namita J Priyadarshee)
 Joint Secretary (IT/PC)
 (T) 23073384

Encl.: As above.

To

1. Member CACP
2. All Divisional Heads

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Issues raised by CMs in the Fourth Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog dated 17th June, 2018

Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, M/o Agriculture and Farmers Welfare

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8. Maharashtra	The Govt of Maharashtra has requested to provide the guidelines for Agri- Market Infrastructure Fund to the States on a priority basis.	Mktg
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**REMINDER-4
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TIME BOUND MATTER**

File No.8-20/2018-PC

Government of India

Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare

Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare

FTS 332527

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 26th September, 2018

**SUBJECT:- FOLLOW UP ACTION ON FOURTH MEETING OF
GOVERNING COUNCIL OF NITI AAYOG HELD ON 17, JUNE, 2018
UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF HON'BLE PRIME MINISTER AT
RBCC, NITI AAYOG**

Please refer to PC Division's email dated 23.07.2018 and subsequent reminders of even number dated 08.08.2018, 31.08.2018 and 17.09.2018 on the subject noted above and to enclose herewith a copy of the NITI Aayog's OM No.M-13048/21(PB)/2015-SP-N (Part) FTS 4799 dated 16.07.2018 related to Punjab and Haryana and another OM No. M-12017/01/2018-GCS dated 23rd July, 2018 related to Andhra Pradesh, Telengana, Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Kerala, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Madhya Pradesh, Bihar and Jharkhand on the subject noted above.

It is reiterated that the comments/status of implementation on the issues to PC Division have not been received at this end. The same may please be sent to PC Division latest by 28.09.2018 till 12.00 Noon on urgent basis for onward submission to NITI Aayog. The matter is already got delayed and if the information is not received well within the stipulated time it is presumed that the Division has nothing to furnish and same would be conveyed to NITI Aayog accordingly. A soft copy of the same in MSWord is also mailed at so.pc-dac@nic.in

Encl: As above

To,

35 concerned as per list

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This pertains to Fert. Use Cell.

(Namita J Priyadarshree)
Joint Secretary (PC)

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Sl. No	Divisional Heads	Information awaited in respect of NITI Aayog's OM No.M-13048/21(PB)/2015-SP-N (Part) FTS 4799 dated 16.07.2018	Information awaited in respect of NITI Aayog's OM No. M-12017/01/2018-GCS dated 23rd July, 2018
1.	JS(Credit)	AWAITED	RECEIVED
2.	JS(Policy)	AWAITED	AWAITED
3.	JS(INM)	AWAITED	RECEIVED
4.	JS(DM)	AWAITED	RECEIVED
5.	JS(MARKETING)	AWAITED	RECEIVED
6.	JS(CROPS)	AWAITED	RECEIVED
7.	JS(MIDH)	AWAITED	AWAITED
8.	ESA	AWAITED	RECEIVED
9.	JS(Seed)	RECEIVED	AWAITED
10.	JS(M&T)	RECEIVED	AWAITED
11.	JS(NBM)	AWAITED	RECEIVED
12.	JS(Oil Seed)	AWAITED	RECEIVED
13.	JS(Cooperation)	AWAITED	AWAITED

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Sansad Marg, New Delhi-01,
Date: 16.07.2018


I am directed to refer to the highlights of achievements as well specific issues for intervention by GoI vis-à-vis the States of Haryana and Punjab captured from the verbatim proceedings of the 4th GCM of NITI Aayog held on June, 17, 2018 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister at RBCC, (copy enclosed) and the details of the issues raised in the 4th GCM and pertaining to your Department/Ministry is highlighted below.

1. Government of Punjab has requested for the formulation of a Committee for the issues of the farming community consisting of Chief Ministers of primarily agriculture states, officials from NITI Aayog and officials from Government of India.
2. State Punjab is facing a serious issue of increasing farmers' suicides. The debt of farmers in Punjab was approximately Rs. 65,000 crore. In this context, Government of Punjab has given Rs. 2 lakh to the farmers to help them get out of this crisis. Government of Punjab has requested the Government of India to come out with a solution as a long-term measure for this serious issue.
3. Implementation of Swaminathan Committee Report should be done in toto and a policy should be worked out from it in the future.
4. Punjab has to concentrate on changing its emphasis from paddy to maize and save water. Oil seeds and pulses are also alternate options to paddy. Nitrogen fixing pulses which would assist in soil preservation are also required. Government of Punjab has requested price support from Government of India with regard to this issue. Government of India should also ensure that not only MSP is given but that there is provision for buying of the produce.
5. With regard to paddy burning, Government of Punjab has requested Government of India to give Rs. 100 per quintal of rice produced so that State Government can use it specifically for preventing paddy burning.

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It is requested that issues above may be examined in the Ministry and detailed comments/view /course of action proposed on each issues be furnished to the NITI Aayog.

Encl: as above


(Sanjay Kumar Singh)
Director
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Email: sk.singh72@gov.in

The Secretary
(S.K. Pattanayak)
Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
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-F No. 8-20/2018-PC
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
(Plan Coordination)


441, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.
Dated the 31st August, 2018.

Subject: Follow -up Action on Fourth Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog held on June 17, 2018 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister at RBCC, NITI Aayog.

The undersigned is directed to enclose a copy of OM No. M-12017/01/2018-GCS dated 23rd July, 2018 received from NITI Aayog on the subject noted above.

It is requested to kindly provide comments/status of implementation on the issues to PC Division latest by 17.09.2018.

Encl. : as above.


(M.K.Pathak)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel. No.23384322

To,

Member CACP & All Divisional Heads

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M-12017/01 2018-GCS
NITI Aayog
(State Coordination Vertical)


Sansad Marg, New Delhi-110 001
Dated 23rd July 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Follow-up Action on Fourth Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog held on June, 17, 2018 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister at RBCC, NITI Aayog.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith the list of issues (Annexure) raised by the Chief Ministers' during the Fourth Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog held on June 17, 2018. It is requested to kindly provide the comments/ status of implementation on all these issues by 03 August, 2018 to NITI Aayog.

Enclosure: As above.


(Vikram Singh Gaur)
Adviser (SC & DP)
Telfax: 23096747

To
Secretary
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
Room No 115, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi - 110001
Email : secy-agric@nic.in

Issues raised by CMs in the Fourth Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog dated 17th June, 2018

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11. Kerala	Sanction of adequate relief assistance for recent landslide in Kerala and change in norms for relief assistance for densely populated areas in the States and UTs.
12. Kerala	For fixing a support price based on the formula of Dr. M.S. Swaminathan Committee for Rubber and Copra.
13. Arunachal Pradesh	Out of the total 25 lakh hectare agricultural land available in the State only 3.5 lakh is under cultivation because of low population. About 22 lakh hectare agricultural land is not under use. The Central Government should help the State to increase the potential of the State in agriculture sector.
14. Nagaland	For doubling the farmer's income in organic farming, market linkages to the farm products and training to farmers for packaging and preservation of products like flowers, fruits and vegetables needs to be provided. For this, processing centres for the organic produce of the State needs to be established. The Central Government should support the State in this initiative as this will augment their income and help the State in increasing the value chain
15. Madhya Pradesh	Doubling farmers' income.
16. Madhya Pradesh	Price Difference Payment Scheme" (Bhavantar Bhuktan Yojana) may be implemented in the State.
17. Madhya Pradesh	What to produce, where and how much to produce. How much the country needs? How much we will be able to sell in International Market?
18. Madhya Pradesh	Model Farms should be developed in the State like only grains and vegetables should not be produced. There are other fruits and vegetables too.
19. Bihar	a). With E-Nam project implementation the law governing management of market committees has been superseded. How to control is question where you need to work. b). Regarding E-Nam project, Agriculture Minister may be aware, market committees, Market Management Act which existed in Bihar and which was exploiting farmers and small traders by taxing them. Eleven years back Bihar Government have repealed this law, which is now done by Central Govt, by the project E-Nam.
20. Jharkhand	Jharkhand State is committed to comply to doubling the farmer's income by 2022.

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No. 6-1/2016-UIDAI (DBT)-Vol.II

Government of India

Unique Identification Authority of India
(DBT Cell)Bangla Sahib Road, Gole Market
Behind Kali Mandir, New Delhi 110 001Dated: 14th September, 2018

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Form No. 12OFFICE MEMORANDUM**Subject: Follow up Action on 4th Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog -
ATR - Regarding**

The undersigned is directed to refer to OM no. M-13044/08/2016 dated 21.8.2018 of NITI Aayog (Agriculture Vertical) on the above mentioned subject and to convey our comments on the following issue:

"Linking of information available in Soil Health Card Portal with Aadhaar and Fertilizer Subsidy Portal"

Comments of UIDAI:

1. Both the Agriculture and Fertilizer Ministries have since published section 7 notifications for use of Aadhaar in respect of the beneficiaries under the Soil Health Card and Fertilizer Subsidy schemes respectively. The proposal envisages linking of information available on two portals. In this regard, attention is drawn to the following key provisions on sharing of information:

- (i) Regulation 5 of the Aadhaar (Sharing of Information) Regulations, 2016, *inter-alia*, provides that:

(a) Any agency or entity which collects Aadhaar number or any document containing the Aadhaar number, shall

- inform the Aadhaar number holder the purpose for which the information is collected; and
- obtain consent of the Aadhaar number holder to the collection, storage and use of his Aadhaar number for the specified purposes.

(b) Such agency or entity shall not use the Aadhaar number for any purpose other than those specified to the Aadhaar holder at the time of obtaining his consent.

(c) Such agency or entity shall not share the Aadhaar number with any person without the consent of the Aadhaar number holder.

- (ii) Regulation 6 of the Aadhaar (Sharing of Information) Regulations, 2016, *inter-alia*, provides that any entity or agency which is in possession of Aadhaar number(s) of Aadhaar number holders, shall ensure security and confidentiality of the Aadhaar Numbers and of any record or database containing the Aadhaar Numbers.

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2. Based on the above and the provisions under the Aadhaar Act, 2016 & regulations framed thereunder, as well as the submissions made in the Supreme Court in the Aadhaar related matters, it may be noted that pooling of data and linking different databases based on Aadhaar numbers is prohibited. It may be further noted that final hearing in the Aadhaar related matters has been completed on 10.5.2018 and the judgement has been reserved.
3. This is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority.



(Dr. Saroj Kr. Adhikari)

Deputy Director (DBT)

Tel: 2347 8511

Email: Saroj.adhikari@uidai.net.in

To:

Dr. J. P. Mishra

Adviser (Agriculture)

NITI Aayog

NITI Bhawan

Sansad Marg, New Delhi 110 01

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✓ (i) Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Co-Operation and Framers' Welfare, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi 110 001

(ii) Secretary, Department of Fertilizers, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi 110 001

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F.No.21(6)/2016-Ind-II
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NITI Aayog
(Governance and Research Vertical)

Sansad Marg, New Delhi-110001
Dated: the 8th March, 2017

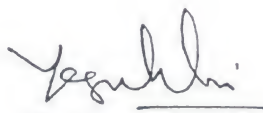
OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd March 2017 at NITI Aayog on Pilot Roll-out for Direct Benefits Transfers (DBT) in Fertilizer Sector

The meeting of the captioned Committee under the chairmanship of CEO, NITI Aayog was held on 2nd March, 2017. A copy of the minutes thereof are forwarded herewith for information and necessary action.

Encl: a/a

JS (INM)


(Dr. Yogesh Suri)
Adviser
Tel. 23096610

1. Secretary, Department of Fertilizers.
2. Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Co-operation & Farmer's Welfare
3. Chief Economic Adviser, Ministry of Finance
4. Director General, UIDAI
5. Shri Anurag Jain, Joint Secretary, Prime Minister's Office
6. Shri Sandeep Dave, JS (Expenditure), Ministry of Finance
7. Shri Deepak Kumar, JS, Department of Food and Public Distribution
8. Shri H S Meena, JS, Department of Land Resources
9. Ms. Rani Kumudini, JS, Deptt of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmer's Welfare
10. Shri Peeyush, JS, DBT, Cabinet Secretariat

Copy forwarded for information to:-

1. Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister
2. Cabinet Secretary

Copy also forwarded for information to:-

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2. PPS to Member (RC), NITI Aayog
3. PPS to CEO, NITI Aayog
4. PPS to Additional Secretary, NITI Aayog
5. Adviser (Agriculture), NITI Aayog

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F.No.21(6)/2016-Ind-II
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NITI Aayog
(Governance & Research Vertical)

Subject: Minutes of the review Meeting held on 2nd March 2017 at NITI Aayog on Pilot Roll-out for Direct Benefits Transfers (DBT) in Fertilizer Sector

The list of participants is given at the Annex.

2. At the outset, Dr Yogesh Suri, Adviser, NITI Aayog welcomed the participants and indicated that this meeting had been called to discuss two issues viz. (a) examine the findings of pilot assessment undertaken by M/s MicroSave on the Aadhaar enabled Fertiliser Distribution System (AeFDS); and (b) finalize the draft monitoring framework for five fertilizer plants which was earlier circulated by NITI Aayog. Thereafter he requested the representatives of Microsave to make their presentation.
3. A presentation was made by Shri Manoj Sharma and Shri Anurodh Giri from Microsave on the evaluation of the DBT pilot project conducted across 6 districts viz. Hoshangabad (Madhya Pradesh), Pali (Rajasthan), Una (Himachal Pradesh), Rangareddy (Telangana) and Krishna, West Godavari (Andhra Pradesh). For the purposes of the assessment, a total of 1,734 farmers and 200 retailers were surveyed for the quantitative analysis besides qualitative interviews of 69 retailers and 75 farmers in addition to Government officials and district consultants. The assessment revealed that the fertiliser reforms such as neem coating urea and AeFDS have streamlined fertiliser distribution with retailers and farmers reporting no shortage of urea in the last 2 years. Improved tracking through MFMS IDs is curtailing the delay in subsidy payments and significant reduction in overcharging from farmers has been observed. However, due to improved tracking and reduction in diversion, many retailers have left the system viz., 31 in Pali, 51 in Hoshangabad, 1 in Rangareddy, 131 in Krishna, 35 in Una and 50 in West Godavari. It is also believed that some NPK complex factories in Krishna district have closed down as they were operating on diverted subsidised urea from retailers.
4. Shri Sandeep Dave, JS, DoE stated that surrender of dealer licenses may be a cause for concern which can impact availability of fertilizer especially during the peak season. Shri Arvind Subramanian, Chief Economic Adviser added that this trend may also be representative of the fact that on standalone basis the business model of fertilizer dealers is not very viable. Shri Anurag Jain, JS, PMO suggested that this aspect needs further examination and corrective action as it could result in lesser number of outlets than those required. For this, hard data on consumption, sales, etc. would need to be examined by Microsave which was agreed to by the Chair. Shri Dharam Pal, JS, DoF highlighted that in order to address the issue of rush at the dealers during the peak season, the Department is insisting on having multiple PoS machines with each dealer.
5. Shri Sharma highlighted that almost all retailers have confirmed that training has been received and found it useful especially in handling of PoS. Most retailers did not

complain about the signal/connectivity issues. Overcharging has also gone down as farmers get to see printed receipts with details of subsidy paid by the Government. While the overall diversion has gone down significantly, it is possible that some diversion may still be taking place for production of customized fertilizers. Shri Sushil Lohani, JS, DoF informed that customised fertilizers are permitted to be sold and there is no case of double subsidy as inputs are already subsidy paid. Shri Sharma added that farmer communication needs to be improved as most of the farmers got to know 'Aadhaar' requirement only after their arrival at the retailer outlet. As a result, it was also possible that someone else's Aadhaar number was used while recording sales. Shri Yaduvendra Mathur, Additional Secretary, NITI Aayog highlighted that there may be a tendency of farmers to bunch up purchases to save on the transportation cost of fertilizers.

6. Microsave informed that the time taken for each transaction has improved drastically from about 10 minutes in their previous survey to about 5 minutes which compares favourably with manual transactions. The number of attempts for Aadhaar authentication was 35% in one attempt, 39% in second attempt, 19% in three attempts and 7% in four or more attempts. Although 93% are able to authenticate in three attempts, retailers felt that it could be an issue during the peak period. Shri A B Pandey, DG, UIDAI stated that it would be important to see the reasons for failure, especially as success rate of authentication was found to be as high as 98% in respect of a newly launched telecom service. As a solution, Microsave suggested for an early check out system or pre authentication which can cut transaction time to 2 minutes. Some solutions could be outsourcing the authentication to post offices, customer service centres, bank mitras, etc. or pre-booking of fertilizers done in sales made through cooperative societies in Madhya Pradesh. It was also observed that the TPDS was working better in some areas because of the smaller ticket size, clientele, number of products, database and purchase window. While TPDS dealt with predominantly female clientele which had time and patience to wait, number of products to be sold was less and database was available; in case of fertilizers, up to 72 different types of fertilizers increased complexity of billing and farmers need fertilizer urgently depending upon weather demand.

7. Microsave added that in overall terms, 71% farmers and 64% retailers prefer AeFDS over the earlier method. Retailers also find a relief in terms of less need for book keeping, automatic stock updation and other advantages. However, farmers' acceptance of Soil Health Cards (SHCs) still seem to be low as their immediate preference was profitability of ongoing crop. Ms. Rani Kumudini, JS (Agri) stated that the Department had got a survey of farmers in 15 districts done through NPC and findings regarding SHCs were quite encouraging and different from the observations of Microsave. Shri Arvind Subramaniam, CEA stated that the results of the assessment are encouraging but cannot conclude on deciding pan-India roll-out as the assessment results reflect the position during non-peak period. He desired that more data be supplemented on the reasons for 29% of farmers and 33% of retailers preferring old systems to take a more informed decision on a nation-wide roll out. CEO, NITI Aayog felt that pan-India roll-out of such a complex system may not be advisable at this stage. Instead, he suggested a phased roll-out of the

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project to select States/ districts based on preparedness besides conducting another evaluation during the peak season.

8. Thereafter, the second item of the Agenda viz. the Monitoring Framework for the new Fertilizer units was discussed. JS, PMO observed that for each activity, the actual date of completion may be indicated alongwith the target date. In the remarks column, "reason(s) for delay, if any and steps taken for corrective action" should be mentioned. Besides, a PERT chart indicating activities in the critical path may also be shown as an annexure to the report. Subject to this, the template was finalized.

9. The Chairman desired to know the progress on the implementation of the 3 fertilizers plants at Gorakhpur, Sindri & Barauni. Shri Arun Gupta, MD, HURL informed that all the projects are on track. Tenders for main plant contracts at Gorakhpur & Sindri have been issued while tender for Barauni is expected to be issued in a day or two. He added that original tender opening in respect of Gorakhpur is due on 20th March 2017 but majority of the bidders have requested for extension of bid opening date, which may need to be accepted so as ensure sufficient participation in the tender. The Chairman advised that this time loss of about 1 month should be compensated from the project implementation schedule so that final plant commissioning schedule is maintained as per committed time lines. He also stressed upon the need for early completion of the Environmental Impact Assessment exercise and adopt a synergistic approach regarding setting up of the plant with gas pipelines being laid in the respective areas.

10. After deliberations the following decisions were taken:-

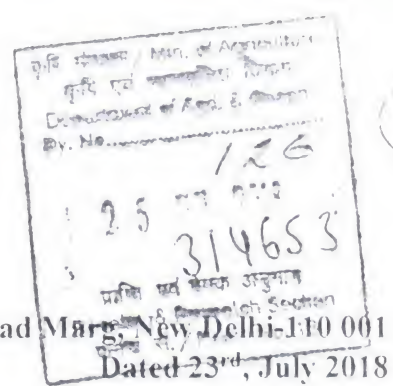
- (i) Expansion of the pilot project to other districts may be done in a phased manner. **(Action: DoF)**
- (ii) Detailed analysis of sales, consumption data from the pilot project to be made. **(Action: NITI Aayog/ DoF/ Microsave)**
- (iii) DoF to suitably modify the monitoring framework and take appropriate action for fortnightly reporting to the various Departments. **(Action: DoF/ Promoter companies)**

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the chair and all the participants.

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 NITI Aayog
 (State Coordination Vertical)



Sansad Marg, New Delhi-110 001
 Dated 23rd, July 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Follow-up Action on Fourth Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog held on June, 17, 2018 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister at RBCC, NITI Aayog.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith the list of issues (Annexure) raised by the Chief Ministers during the Fourth Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog held on June 17, 2018. It is requested to kindly provide the comments/ status of implementation on all these issues by 03 August, 2018 to NITI Aayog.

Enclosure: As above.

(Vikram Singh Gaur)
 Adviser (SC & DP)
 Telfax:23096747

To

Secretary

Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
 Room No 115, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi - 110001

Email : Secy-agri@nic.in

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Annexure

Issues raised by CMs in the Fourth Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog dated 17th June, 2018

Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, M/o Agriculture and Farmers Welfare

Sl. No	Name of the States whose CM raised the issue	Issues
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Minimum Support Price is not fully operational
2.	Andhra Pradesh	Crop Insurance – it is an insurance for the loan and not for crop
3.	Andhra Pradesh	Integrate MGNREGA with Agriculture
4.	Telangana	Formulation of National Agriculture Policy and dividing the States as per the crop call for increasing the farmer's income
5.	Telangana	Linking MGNREGA with Agriculture
6.	Himachal Pradesh	Soil Health Card scheme has already been started in entire Himachal Pradesh. The work of all cards distribution has been completed during 2015-16 and 2016-17 and 63% out of total targets for 2017 and 2018-19 have been achieved. If the information available on Soil Health Card portal is linked with Aadhar and Fertilizer Subsidy portal (which is under DBT), the fertilizer subsidy would be automatically distributed through Soil Health Card.
7.	Rajasthan	The Chief Minister highlighted that Rajasthan faces perpetual drought conditions in at least 8 to 10 Districts. The Agriculture Input Subsidy is sanctioned on the basis of agriculture census 2010, which is much less than the actual number of farmers. She requested that the actual number of farmers and affected area should be taken as the basis for sanction. She further requested to increase the maximum limit for Agriculture Input Subsidy from present 2 hectares to 5 hectares. She stated that in Rajasthan though per capita land holding is big, most of the land is un-irrigated or infertile.
8.	Maharashtra	The Govt of Maharashtra has requested to provide the guidelines for Agri- Market Infrastructure Fund to the States on a priority basis.
9.	Karnataka	Seeking 50% support for form loan waiver initiative of Govt, of Karnataka
10.	Karnataka	Harness national and international expertise to develop comprehensive framework, strategies and practices for ushering in a climate resilient agriculture revolution in the country.

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11.	Kerala	Sanction of adequate relief assistance for recent landslide in Kerala and change in norms for relief assistance for densely populated areas in the States and UTs.
12.	Kerala	For fixing a support price based on the formula of Dr. M.S. Swaminathan Committee for Rubber and Copra.
13.	Arunachal Pradesh	Out of the total 25 lakh hectare agricultural land available in the State only 3.5 lakh is under cultivation because of low population. About 22 lakh hectare agricultural land is not under use. The Central Government should help the State to increase the potential of the State in agriculture sector.
14.	Nagaland	For doubling the farmer's income in organic farming, market linkages to the farm products and training to farmers for packaging and preservation of products like flowers, fruits and vegetables needs to be provided. For this, processing centres for the organic produce of the State needs to be established. The Central Government should support the State in this initiative as this will augment their income and help the State in increasing the value chain
15.	Madhya Pradesh	Doubling farmers' income.
16.	Madhya Pradesh	Price Difference Payment Scheme" (Bhavantar Bhuktan Yojana) may be implemented in the State.
17.	Madhya Pradesh	What to produce, where and how much to produce. How much the country needs? How much we will be able to sell in International Market?
18.	Madhya Pradesh	Model Farms should be developed in the State like only grains and vegetables should not be produced. There are other fruits and vegetables too.
19.	Bihar	a). With E-Nam project implementation the law governing management of market committees has been superseded. How to control is question where you need to work. b). Regarding E-Nam project, Agriculture Minister may be aware, market' committees, Market Management Act which existed in Bihar and which was exploiting farmers and small traders by taxing them. Eleven years back Bihar Government have repealed this law, which is now done by Central Govt, by the project E-Nam.
20.	Jharkhand	Jharkhand State is committed to comply to doubling the farmer's income by 2022.

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Government of India
NITI Aayog
(State Plan-Punjab, Haryana)

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sansad Marg, New Delhi-01.
Date: 16.07.2018

Subject: Follow-up Action on Chief Ministers' address in Fourth Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog held on June, 17, 2018 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister at Rashtrapati Bhavan Cultural Centre (RBCC).

I am directed to refer to the highlights of achievements as well specific issues for intervention by GoI vis-à-vis the States of Haryana and Punjab captured from the verbatim proceedings of the 4th GCM of NITI Aayog held on June, 17, 2018 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister at RBCC, (copy enclosed) and the details of the issues raised in the 4th GCM and pertaining to your Department/Ministry is highlighted below.

1. Government of Punjab has requested for the formulation of a Committee for the issues of the farming community consisting of Chief Ministers of primarily agriculture states, officials from NITI Aayog and officials from Government of India.
2. State Punjab is facing a serious issue of increasing farmers' suicides. The debt of farmers in Punjab was approximately Rs. 65, 000 crore. In this context, Government of Punjab has given Rs. 2 lakh to the farmers to help them get out of this crisis. Government of Punjab has requested the Government of India to come out with a solution as a long-term measure for this serious issue.
3. Implementation of Swaminathan Committee Report should be done in toto and a policy should be worked out from it in the future.
4. Punjab has to concentrate on changing its on emphasis from paddy to maize and save water. Oil seeds and pulses are also alternate options to paddy. Nitrogen fixing pulses which would assist in soil preservation are also required. Government of Punjab has requested price support from Government of India with regard to this issue. Government of India should also ensure that not only MSP is given but that there is provision for buying of the produce.
5. With regard to paddy burning, Government of Punjab has requested Government of India to give Rs. 100 per quintal of rice produced so that State Government can use it specifically for preventing paddy burning.


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It is requested that issues above may be examined in the Ministry and detailed comments/view /course of action proposed on each issues be furnished to the NITI Aayog.

Encl: as above


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The Secretary
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25/10/2018

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Sir/Madam,

Meeting Notice


Kindly find attached a meeting notice regarding Meeting on linking of SHC ID number with Department of Fertilisers DBT software on 25.10.2018.

Regards,

J.P. Choudhary
Adviser (SHC)
DAC&FW,
Krishi Bhawan,
New Delhi

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Regards.

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Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
(Fert Use Cell/INM Division)

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi
Dated the 11th October, 2018

Meeting Notice

Subject: Meeting on linking of Soil Health Card (SHC) ID number with
Department of Fertilizers DBT software - reg.

The undersigned is directed to state that a meeting on linking of Soil Health Card (SHC) ID number with Department of Fertilizers DBT software is scheduled to be held under the Chairpersonship of Smt. A. Neeraja, Joint Secretary (INM) on **25th October, 2018 (Thursday) at 11:30 A.M. in the chambers of Joint Secretary (INM), Room No. 299 C, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.**

You are requested to make it convenient to participate in the above meeting along with the officer handling your software / portal.

(J.P. Chaudhary)
Adviser (SHC)

1. Dr. Ranjana Nagpal, Deputy Director General (NIC), A-Block, C.G.O. Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003.
2. Dr Kavita Gotru, Director (DBT), Department of Fertilizers, Udhog Bhavan (Room No. 474) . 23062608
3. Dr Y.R. Meena, Additional Commissioner (INM), DAC&FW.
4. Mrs Rajni Taneja, Deputy Secretary (INM), DAC&FW.
5. Dr S. P. Singh, Consultant (SHC), DAC&FW.
6. Dr Gajendra Singh, Assistant Development Officer (M), DAC&FW.

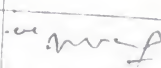



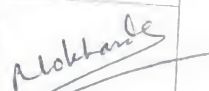
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List of the participants of the Meeting on Linking of Soil Health card ID Numbers with Department of Fertilizers DBT software (SHC) under the Chairmanship of JS (INM) on 25/10/2018 at 11.30 AM.

S. No.	Name and Designation	Organization address) (Full	Email & Telephone No.
1.	Ms. Neeraja Adidam Joint Secretary (INM)	DAC&FW	Neeraja.adidam@nic.in
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3.	Ms. Ritika Gupta System Analyst	NIC	Ritika.gupta@nic.in
4.	Ms. Kavitha Gotre Director (DBT)	D/o Fertilizers	Dirfa-fert@nic.in 23062608
5.	Sh. Chandrakant Kabade IEC Consultant	DBT infert.	Kabade.dbt@gmail.com
6.	Ms. Rajni Taneja Deputy Secretary	DAC&FW	Rajni.taneja66@nic.in
7.	Ms. Pratibha Lokhande Sr. Technical Director	NIC	pratibha@nic.in
8.	Sh. J P Choudhary Advisor (SHC)	DAC&FW	fertusecell@gmail.com
9.	Sh. Gajendra Singh ADO (M)	DAC&FW	fertusecell@gmail.com

Meeting on Linking of Soil Health Card ID Numbers with Department of Fertilizers DBT software (SHC) under the Chairmanship of JS (INM) on 25/10/2018 at 11.30 AM.

Sl. No	Name and designation	Organization (Full address)	email & Telephone No	Signature
1	Ms Neeraja Adidam Joint Secretary (INM)	DAC&FW		Chairperson
2	Rajiv Sharma Sr. TD	NIC	rajivsharma@nic.in	
3	Ritika Gupta System Analyst	NIC	ritika.gupta@nic.in	
4	Kavitha Gohar	Director (DBT) D/o Fertilizers	23062608 dirfa-fert@nic.in	Kavitha Gohar
5	Chand Ekanth Kabade	IEC Consultant DBT inter.	kanade.dbt@gmail.com	
6	Rajni Tanuja	INM		
7	Ratibha Lohar	Sr. T.D.	ratibha@nic.in	
8	J P Chandra	Adviser (SHC) DAC & FW		
9	Dr. Gajendra Singh	AD (INM) DAC & FW		
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Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
Department of Agri., Coopn. & FW
(Fert Use Cell/ INM Division)

528, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 17th October, 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Follow-up Action on Fourth Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog held on June 17, 2018 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister at RBCC, NITI Aayog –reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to NITI Aayog's OM No. M-12017/01/2018-GCS dated 23rd July, 2018 on the subject cited above and to inform that a meeting has been fixed for taking up the matter with Department of Fertilizers.

(Dr. Gajendra Singh)
Asstt. Dev. Officer (M)

Adviser (SC & DP),
State Coordination Vertical,
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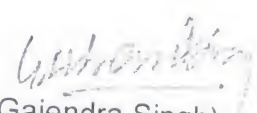
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528, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 13th November, 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of the Meeting held under the Chairpersonship of Smt. A. Neeraja, Joint Secretary (INM) on 25th October, 2018 on linking of Soil Health Card (SHC) ID number with Department of Fertilizers DBT software-reg.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith the Minutes of the Meeting held under the Chairpersonship of Smt. A. Neeraja, Joint Secretary (INM) on 25th October, 2018 on linking of Soil Health Card (SHC) ID number with Department of Fertilizers DBT software for information and necessary action.


(Dr. Gajendra Singh)
Asstt. Dev. Officer (M)

Encl: As above.

To
All Participants (List enclosed)

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Minutes of the meeting held under the Chairpersonship of Smt. A. Neeraja, Joint Secretary (INM) on 25th October, 2018 on linking of Soil Health Card (SHC) ID number with Department of Fertilizers DBT software.

The meeting on linking of Soil Health Card (SHC) ID number with Department of Fertilizers DBT software was held under the Chairpersonship of Smt. A. Neeraja, Joint Secretary (INM) on 25th October, 2018. The following officers were present in the meeting.

1. Smt. A. Neeraja, Joint Secretary (INM), DAC&FW -In Chair
2. Ms. Kavitha Gotre, Director (DBT), Department of Fertilizers, Udhog Bhavan (Room No. 474).
3. Ms. Rajni Taneja, Deputy Secretary (INM), DAC&FW.
4. Ms. Pratibha Lokhande, Sr. Technical Director, NIC, A-Block, C.G.O. Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003.
5. Sh. Rajiv Sharma, Sr. Technical Director, NIC, New Delhi.
6. Ms. Ritika Gupta, System Analyst, NIC, New Delhi.
7. Sh. Chandrakant Kabade, IEC Consultant, DBT infert., New Delhi.
8. Shri J.P. Chaudhary, Adviser (SHC), DAC&FW.
9. Dr Gajendra Singh, Assistant Development Officer (M), DAC&FW.

2. Joint Secretary (INM) welcomed the participants and informed that Department of Fertilizers (DOF) DBT software is linked with Aadhar. However, Aadhar code is not mentioned on Soil Health Card (SHC). In order to promote balanced use of fertilizers, SHC is to be linked with DOFs DBT portal. This can be done by linking the SHC number which is unique for each farm holding.

3. Sh. Rajiv Sharma, Sr. Tech Dir, NIC mentioned that in the new application launched on 29.09.2018 in 3 NE States, Maharashtra, Jharkhand, Odisha, Haryana, Uttarakhand, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Himachal Pradesh, etc, so far 2000 SHC have been captured in a few states. Though farmers are asked for SHC number, it is not linked to DBT portal. Sale of fertilizers is on Aadhar only.

4. Director (DBT), DOF mentioned that presently fertilizer sale is not restricted to farmers, it is on no denial basis and SHC is not mandatory so far. Ms. Ritika Gupta, SA (NIC) mentioned that in the new 2.5 version of DBT portal, SHC unique ID number is being captured, however, the recommendation is yet to be integrated.

5. The Chairperson enquired whether the SHC unique number can be seeded in DBT portal. Sh. Sharma, NIC replied that the POS machine is small and it may not be possible to include SHC recommendations in it. Moreover, if it is linked the DOF portal will slow down, therefore, technically linking is not recommended.

6. Director (DBT), DOF stated that at present only SHC number is being entered and no details are captured in DBT portal. She asked NIC (DOF) to be in touch with NIC (SHC) and make changes in the DBT portal so that SHC recommendations are shown on the screen. Any problem faced can be brought to notice of DOF.

7. After detailed discussions it was decided that:-

- (i) SHC recommendations are required to be linked to DBT Portal, through SHC unique number.
- (ii) Director (DBT), DOF to finalise the requirement in DBT Portal for incorporating the SHC recommendations.
- (iii) NIC (SHC) and NIC (DBT) needs to coordinate to modify the DBT Portal.
- (iv) Filling of SHC unique number in DBT Portal may be made optional till the system is well established to take load at Pan-India level.
- (v) Periodical review of the up gradation of DBT Portal by DAC&FW and DOF.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.



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Mistunes of the meeting held under the chairpersonship of Smt. A. Neeraja, Joint Secretary (INM) on 25th October, 2018 on linking of soil Health card (SHC) ID number with department of Fertilizers DBT software- reg.

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Sansad Marg, New Delhi-110001
Dated: the 25th February, 2019

MEETING NOTICE

Subject: Meeting of the Committee on DBT in Fertilizers

The undersigned is directed to refer to the above subject and to say that the meeting of the Committee on DBT in Fertilizers, chaired by the CEO, NITI Aayog has been scheduled on **28th February 2019 at 4 pm in Room No. 243, NITI Aayog.**

M/s MicroSave Consulting is requested to make a presentation on their findings of pan-India evaluation of DBT in fertilizers. Department of Fertilizers is also requested to make a presentation before the Committee, on the current status / outcomes of pan-India implementation of DBT in Fertilizer and way forward.

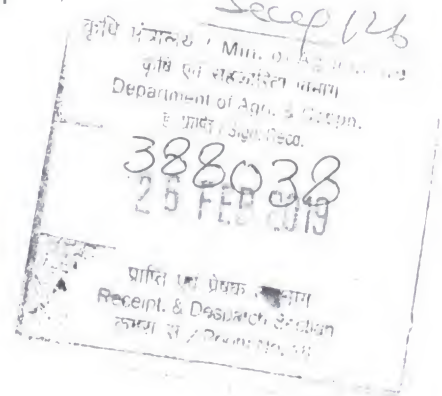
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Tel: 23096742

To,

1. Secretary, Department of Expenditure
2. Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmer's Welfare
3. Secretary, Department of Food and Public Distribution
4. Secretary, Department of Land Resources
5. Secretary, Department of Fertilizers.
6. Chief Economic Adviser, Ministry of Finance
7. Director General, UIDAI
8. Joint Secretary, Prime Minister's Office
9. Joint Secretary, DBT Mission, Cabinet Secretariat

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5. PA to Sr. Adviser (G&R), NITI Aayog
6. PA to Adviser (Agriculture), NITI Aayog
7. Mr. Mitul Thapliyal, M/s MicroSave Consulting, New Delhi – with a request to make a presentation before the Committee



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(Governance and Research Vertical)


Sansad Marg, New Delhi-110001
Dated: the 20th March, 2019

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of the meeting of the Committee on DBT in Fertilizers

The undersigned is directed to refer to NITI Aayog's meeting notice of even no. dated 27.2.2019 and to forward the minutes of the meeting of the Committee on DBT in Fertilizers, held under the chairmanship of CEO, NITI Aayog on 5th March 2019 at 4:30 pm in Room No. 122, NITI Aayog.

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(Neeraj Singhal)
Director
Tel: 23096742

DS (NM)
To,

1. Secretary, Department of Expenditure
2. Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmer's Welfare
3. Secretary, Department of Food and Public Distribution
4. Secretary, Department of Land Resources
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Subject: Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee on DBT in Fertilizers

The Meeting on the Committee to review the Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) roll-out in the Fertilizer Sector was held under the Chairmanship of Shri Amitabh Kant, CEO, NITI Aayog, on 5th March 2019 at 4:30 PM in Meeting Room No. 122, NITI Aayog. The List of Participants is placed at **Annexure**.

The meeting was convened to discuss the findings and impact of the national roll out of DBT in Fertilizer. The findings were presented by the NITI Aayog appointed research agency M/s MicroSave Consultancy Services (MSC). The agenda of the meeting was to discuss the following:

- Review the rollout of DBT in fertilizer pan India.
- Understand the impact of the roll out of DBT in fertilizer on major stakeholders.
- Understand the impact of DBT in fertilizer on the manufacturers.
- Steps undertaken by the Department of Fertilizer (DoF) to optimize the system.
- Focus areas to further strengthen the system.
- Discuss findings on the agriculture sector.
- Next action steps to be undertaken.

2. **Dr. Yogesh Suri, Sr. Adviser (G&R), NITI Aayog**, welcomed the participants and provided a brief background on the subject regarding the current status on DBT in Fertilizers. He informed the participants about the role played by MicroSave consultancy services (MSC) since July 2016 in assessing the DBT fertilizer pilots and providing comprehensive feedback in improving and strengthening the system.

3. **Shri Amitabh Kant, CEO, NITI AAYOG and Chairman of the Committee**, in his opening remarks, emphasized the importance of DBT in Fertilizer. He stated that DBT in fertilizer was one of the key policy initiatives undertaken by the current government to reform the fertilizer industry and rejuvenate the agriculture sector.

4. **Shri Dharam Pal, AS, DoF** informed that the Pan-India roll out of the scheme commenced on 1st March, 2018 with a total of 8 crore transactions and about 754.69 lakh metric tons of fertilizers sold, since then. He mentioned that the connectivity issues in the system have been resolved using external antennae, coordination with service providers and also using wifi access. He also mentioned that there was initial resistance to the idea from the various stake holders. He also mentioned that about 8000 training sessions were conducted for the retailers.

5. The representatives of Microsave were then requested to present their findings from the latest round of evaluation study conducted by them.

6. **Shri. Mitul Thapiyal, Partner, MSC** through a presentation presented the research findings of the study which was conducted in across 18 States and 54 Districts. It followed a mixed method research of both quantitative and qualitative research methods surveying 11,281 farmers and 1,182 retailers under the former research method and 140 farmers and 74 retailers under the latter. The survey took place from June to October of 2018, after which conclusions were drawn based on the data. The findings of the study were stated as follows:

- **Adjusted transactions have reduced** (from 21% to 13%) as retailers adjust fewer transactions as compared to the last round.
- **Aadhaar authentication rate** (with 80% buyers using Aadhaar with 99% success rate) has significantly improved in the national roll out as compared to the roll out in the 14 pilot districts.
- **Transaction time** has improved significantly (to 3-4 minutes from 5 minutes) as compared to the pilot roll out in 14 districts.
- **Selling in peak season is still an issue** as a lot of retailers reported facing some issues while serving customers during peak season.
- **Preference for Aadhaar** based system is increasing among framers but is constant among retailers.
- **Awareness** about operational aspects (DBT in fertilizer) is increasing but awareness about the subsidy on *urea* given by the government is still low (at 37%).
- **Cash is still the preferred mode** of transaction (with 93.5% transaction in cash) but farmers are willing to pay through cashless mode. 99% farmers get fertilizers a MRP. Neem coated urea has good acceptability among farmers.
- **DBT and other systematic interventions** undertaken by the DoF are impacting farmers positively. Especially initiatives such as reducing the size of urea bag and increased retailer margin seem to have a positive impact.
- Majority of farmers (64%) don't prefer **direct cash transfer (DCT)** in fertilizer even if first payment is made in advance.
- **Delay in receiving dispatch ID** and challenges in updating PoS software are resulting in adjusted transactions.
- Despite a dedicated toll free number, **retailers prefer other modes** of Grievance Resolution Mechanism.
- **Industry has a mixed view** on the national roll out of DBT in fertilizer as some of the companies are unhappy with the technological support provided by National Informatics Centre (NIC). Furthermore they also complained about the increase in time of their **working capital cycle**. But overall they believe that the DBT in fertilizer will increase efficiency and streamline the last mile delivery. The industry did acknowledge the fact that timely subsidy payments from Government has improved.
- Technological & operational recommendations to further improve & strengthen the system were suggested.
- Status of farmer focused government schemes and agriculture trends were also presented. The key schemes or areas that were discussed are as follows:
 - Status & impact of Soil Health Card (SHC).
 - Availability, accessibility & impact of credit sources.
 - Uptake & impact of crop insurance schemes, especially PMFBY

- Mechanized techniques being used by the farmers.
- Access and ease of selling their produce in markets.
- Farmer's perception of Aadhaar.
- Other day to day farming linked areas such as seed, water, and electricity.

7. The Chairman appreciated the Department of Fertilizer (DoF) on the remarkable success of the national rollout but took cognizance of the poor awareness of urea subsidy benefits amongst the farmer population. He suggested that the ministry should develop a **communication & marketing strategy** so as to increase the awareness amongst farmers.

8. **Shri. Chhabilendra Roul, Secretary, DoF** welcomed and agreed with most of the findings that were presented. He appreciated the role played by MSC over the years in assessing the pilots and proving extensive feedback. The only findings where he sought further clarification and did not agree are as follows:

- **Adjusted transactions have reduced:** He wanted further clarification on the usage of the urea bag after the farmer left the retail outlet.
- **Increase in time of working capital cycle for the fertilizer companies:** He indicated that given the newly developed fertilizer bill settlement mechanism, it may not be appropriate to say that working capital cycle for companies has increased.

He also enquired whether offline entry could be made at times of connectivity or server problems. It was clarified that offline authentication is not allowed under *Aadhaar* and therefore, the only solution was to improve the connectivity and server infrastructures.

9. **Shri. Dharam Pal Singh, AS, DoF** appreciated the study in proving crucial feedback during the pilot rollout phase and thereafter. He presented a background of the DBT scheme by DoF and the challenges it has faced. He highlighted the various steps undertaken by the Department in response to the study's findings and observations. Some of the action points that he stated are as follows:

- Creation of dashboards for real time monitoring.
- Setting up of multilingual call center for grievance redressal.
- Upgrading of hardware capabilities by deploying new servers.
- Development of a device agnostic solution.

Lastly he stated that the roll out of DBT in fertilizer has resulted in better efficiency & savings as the current financial year when compared to the last saw more subsidy money released and reduction in subsidy claims.

10. **Shri. Saurabh K. Tiwari, JS, DBT Mission, Cabinet Secretariat** suggested that, in a connection to the Chairman's earlier comment, to improve awareness about the urea subsidy program amongst farmers, the DoF should initiate an '**automatic SMS based**' awareness service. He further stated that through this service the farmers can be informed about the total subsidy they received on the number of bags of urea they bought.

- Key points identified for the meeting*
- Propose a strategy to increase communication of urea subsidy program amongst farmers.
 - Assess desirability and identify strategy to move towards a complete cash transfer model in fertilizer.
 - Propose a plan to remove skewedness in application of urea by the farmers.
 - Propose a plan to adapt a nutrient based subsidy approach for urea.
 - Identify steps to integrate soil health card (SHC) with the fertilizer system.

The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair and the participants.

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5. Shri. Dharam Pal, Additional Secretary, D/o Fertilizer
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Minutes of the meeting held under the Chairpersonship of Smt. A. Neeraja, Joint Secretary (INM) on 25th October, 2018 on linking of Soil Health Card (SHC) ID number with Department of Fertilizers DBT software.

The meeting on linking of Soil Health Card (SHC) ID number with Department of Fertilizers DBT software was held under the Chairpersonship of Smt. A. Neeraja, Joint Secretary (INM) on 25th October, 2018. The following officers were present in the meeting.

1. Smt. A. Neeraja, Joint Secretary (INM), DAC&FW -In Chair
2. Ms. Kavitha Gotre, Director (DBT), Department of Fertilizers, Udhog Bhavan (Room No. 474).
3. Ms. Rajni Taneja, Deputy Secretary (INM), DAC&FW.
4. Ms. Pratibha Lokhande, Sr. Technical Director, NIC, A-Block, C.G.O. Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003.
5. Sh. Rajiv Sharma, Sr. Technical Director, NIC, New Delhi.
6. Ms. Ritika Gupta, System Analyst, NIC, New Delhi.
7. Sh. Chandrakant Kabade, IEC Consultant, DBT infert., New Delhi.
8. Shri J.P. Chaudhary, Adviser (SHC), DAC&FW.
9. Dr Gajendra Singh, Assistant Development Officer (M), DAC&FW.

2. Joint Secretary (INM) welcomed the participants and informed that Department of Fertilizers (DOF) DBT software is linked with Aadhar. However, Aadhar code is not mentioned on Soil Health Card (SHC). In order to promote balanced use of fertilizers, SHC is to be linked with DOFs DBT portal. This can be done by linking the SHC number which is unique for each farm holding.

3. Sh. Rajiv Sharma, Sr. Tech Dir, NIC mentioned that in the new application launched on 29.09.2018 in 3 NE States, Maharashtra, Jharkhand, Odisha, Haryana, Uttarakhand, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Himachal Pradesh, etc, so far 2000 SHC have been captured in a few states. Though farmers are asked for SHC number, it is not linked to DBT portal. Sale of fertilizers is on Aadhar only.

4. Director (DBT), DOF mentioned that presently fertilizer sale is not restricted to farmers, it is on no denial basis and SHC is not mandatory so far. Ms. Ritika Gupta, SA (NIC) mentioned that in the new 2.5 version of DBT portal, SHC unique ID number is being captured, however, the recommendation is yet to be integrated.

5. The Chairperson enquired whether the SHC unique number can be seeded in DBT portal. Sh. Sharma, NIC replied that the POS machine is small and it may not be possible to include SHC recommendations in it. Moreover, if it is linked the DOF portal will slow down, therefore, technically linking is not recommended.

6. Director (DBT), DOF stated that at present only SHC number is being entered and no details are captured in DBT portal. She asked NIC (DOF) to be in touch with NIC (SHC) and make changes in the DBT portal so that SHC recommendations are shown on the screen. Any problem faced can be brought to notice of DOF.

7. After detailed discussions it was decided that:-

- (i) SHC recommendations are required to be linked to DBT Portal, through SHC unique number.
- (ii) Director (DBT) ^{DoF} to finalise the requirement in DBT Portal for incorporating the SHC recommendations.
- (iii) NIC (SHC) and NIC (DBT) needs to coordinate to modify the DBT Portal.
- (iv) Filling of SHC unique number in DBT Portal may be made optional till the system is well established to take load at Pan-India level.
- (v) Periodical review of the up gradation of DBT Portal by DAC&FW and DOF.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.